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Dear Candidate

Thank you very much for expressing an interest in the position of Co-ordinator of Chemistry in the Science Department at Hatch End High School.

Hatch End High School's Science Department plays an essential role in the life of the school. The team is highly experienced, stable and very supportive. Every year a large number of students successfully apply for Science related degrees at universities including Oxford, Cambridge, Imperial and UCL. Our enrichment programme is outstanding with regular clubs and a large number of trips, including an annual expedition to CERN each year.

Science results at A Level have been good for many years but there is still work to do to make them outstanding. We have recently complemented our Post 16 offer with the BTEC in Forensic Science. Chemistry is hugely popular at Post 16. Progress at GCSE has been above the national average for several years but dipped in 2017. The reformed courses offer challenges but also opportunities for science leaders to embrace ever more creative pedagogical delivery to ensure student success.

Facilities are exceptional within the Science Department with refurbished science labs and three large prep rooms all supported by a large and highly efficient technician service. The department is very well equipped with practical teaching being the norm.

Hatch End High School is a warm, vibrant and stimulating place to work. We are a lead school in teacher training and regularly welcome many trainees from the highly acclaimed TeachFirst Programme. Continuing professional development is at the core of everything we do and you would be joining an organisation which believes that Middle Leaders form the engine room of any school's success. All Middle Leaders are encouraged to pursue a wide range of leadership courses and we play a key role in a highly successful Teaching School Alliance. You would receive outstanding support from a dynamic Senior Leadership Team and be offered numerous opportunities to lead on wider whole school issues if and when desired.

Our website has comprehensive information on the many fantastic opportunities at the school I and would urge you to read this before applying. If you would like to discuss the role informally before submitting an application, please do not hesitate to contact hr@hatchend.harrow.sch.uk.

I very much look forward to reading your application.

Very best wishes.

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