



BISHOP WORDSWORTH'S SCHOOL

Person Specification: Laboratory Assistant

Essential Criteria

Experience and Knowledge

- Basic understanding of science and an interest in practical laboratory work.
- Awareness of the importance of health and safety in a laboratory or similar working environment.
- Ability to follow instructions and established procedures accurately and safely.
- Willingness to learn laboratory procedures, including the safe handling and storage of equipment and materials.

Professional Skills

- Good organisational and communication skills.
- Ability to work collaboratively with teaching staff and members of the Science Technician team.
- Ability to carry out routine practical tasks efficiently and accurately, including preparing, cleaning and storing laboratory equipment.
- Good attention to detail and a methodical approach to work.
- Ability to follow instructions, work under supervision and use initiative when appropriate.
- A flexible and adaptable approach to supporting the day-to-day needs of the Science Department.
- Willingness to undertake relevant training and professional development.

Safeguarding and Conduct

- Commitment to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people.
- Understanding of the importance of maintaining a clean, safe and orderly laboratory environment.
- A reliable, conscientious and positive approach to work.
- Willingness to contribute to the effective running of the Science Department and wider school community.

Desirable Criteria

Experience

- Previous experience working in a school, laboratory or similar practical environment.
- Experience of preparing, cleaning and maintaining equipment and resources.
- Experience of working as part of a team in a busy environment.

Technical Knowledge and Skills

- Basic knowledge of laboratory equipment and its safe use.



- Awareness of COSHH regulations and CLEAPSS guidance.
- Familiarity with safe storage and disposal procedures for laboratory materials.
- GCSE Science qualification or equivalent.
- Basic IT skills, including the use of email and Microsoft Office applications.