

Title: Head of Science	Salary Scale : TLR 1c (£12,111)
Supported by and reporting to: Member of the	Assisted By: Teaching and Non–Teaching Staff
Leadership Team	

Teaching standards as of Sept 2012 (in blue) together with the statements specific to this post as below:

Personal and Professional	As set out in the standards
Conduct	
Leadership and Management	 Ensuring colleagues have the highest possible expectations at all times
The Head of Science will take	Helping staff to achieve constructive working relationships with student
lead responsibility for	parents
providing leadership and	Establishing clear expectations and constructive working relationships
management for the	among staff involved with the subject, including through team working and
department to secure:	mutual support; devolving responsibilities and delegating tasks, as appropriate
• High quality teaching	• Appraising staff as required by the school policy and use the process to
Effective use of resources	develop the personal and professional effectiveness of the appraisee(s)
 Improved standards 	Supporting the professional development of the Science team and assisting
of learning and achievement for all	in the planning and delivery of the Science curriculum/ other training activities
	Enabling teachers to achieve expertise in their subject teaching
	• Working with the SENCO and any other staff with special educational needs
	expertise, to make sure that education, health and care plans are used to set subject-specific targets and match work well to students' needs
	 Making sure that the Principal, senior managers and governors are well informed about subject policies, plans and priorities, the success in meeting
	objectives and targets, and subject-related professional development plans
	 Providing motivational leadership through the high quality of his / her own classroom/management practice
	 Leading, managing and supporting colleagues on a daily basis
	Developing, monitoring and maintaining Science facilities
	 Monitoring and implementing strategies to raise attainment

	 Proactively tackling issues of underperformance
	Maintaining effective control of the departmental budget
	Working effectively with the Line Manager
	• Ensuring that any support staff in the department provide a high quality support to staff
Strategic Planning Within the context of the college's aims and policies, the Head of Science should develop and implement policies, plans, targets and practices by:	 Developing and implementing policies and practices for Science which reflect the college's commitment to high achievement through effective teaching and learning Creating a climate which enables staff to develop and maintain positive attitudes towards the subject and confidence in teaching it Establishing a clear, shared understanding of the importance and role of the subject in contributing to students' spiritual, moral, cultural, mental and physical development, and in preparing students for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of adult life Using data effectively to identify students who are underachieving in the subject, and creating and implementing effective plans to support those students where necessary Analysing and interpreting relevant national, local and school data, as well as research and inspection evidence, to inform policies, practices, expectations, targets and teaching methods Monitoring the progress made in achieving subject plans and targets, evaluating the effects on teaching and learning, and using this analysis to guide further improvement Producing, implementing and monitoring a Science Department development plan which reflects the intentions of the College Improvement Plan Providing curriculum and management support for the effective delivery of the Science curriculum: schemes of work; assessment and classroom methodologies to reflect students' needs and external requirements Liaising with college managers / staff to develop the college further Developing internal and external links in order to enhance students' learning
Teaching and Learning	Ensuring curriculum coverage, continuity and progression in the subject for
The Head of Science should	all students, including more able students, students with special educational needs and students with English as an additional language
use the processes of review	 Developing, co-ordinating and monitoring appropriate Science courses which
and evaluation in order to	meet the needs of students
sustain effective teaching and	• Reviewing and developing schemes of work (using the college framework)
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learning. Target setting will	for efficient delivery of Science to ensure cross-curricular issues (e.g. SMSC,)
be used to ensure that	are appropriately addressed
individual students are	 Ensuring consistency through adopting agreed college guidelines
accountable for their achievements by:	 Monitoring and evaluating the quality of teaching in Science lessons through the College Quality Assurance procedures
	• Making sure that teachers are clear about the teaching objectives in lessons, understand the sequence of teaching and learning in the subject, and communicate such information to students
	• Providing guidance on the choice of appropriate teaching and learning methods to meet the needs of the subject and of different students
	• Working with colleagues on curriculum and teaching differentiation in order to raise attainment
	• Ensuring that all colleagues provide regular performance feedback to their students according to the college marking policy: regularly displaying student progress charts and by using college systems of tracking
	Holding regular moderation meetings to ensure that students work is assessed against national standards
	• Ensuring effective development of students' literacy, numeracy and IT skills through the subject
	• Establishing and implementing clear policies and practices for assessing, recording and reporting on achievement, and for using this information to recognise achievement, set targets, and secure good progress
	 Setting expectations and targets for staff and students in relation to standards of student achievement and the quality of teaching
	• Evaluating the teaching of the subject in the school, use this analysis to identify effective practice and areas for improvement, and take action to improve further the quality of teaching
	Ensuring effective development of students' individual and collaborative study skills
	• Working with staff to establish a partnership with parents to involve them in their child's learning of the subject, as well as providing information about curriculum, attainment, progress and targets
	• Developing effective links with the local community, including business and industry, in order to extend the curriculum, enhance teaching and to develop students' wider understanding
	• Developing, publicising and monitoring appropriate enrichment programmes
	• Providing parents with information about the progress of their children as required
Efficient and effective deployment of staff and	Establishing staff and resource needs for the subject and advise the

resources	Principal and senior managers of likely priorities for expenditure, and allocate available subject resources with maximum efficiency to meet the objectives of the school and subject plans and to achieve value for money
The Head of Science should ensure that staff and	 Deploying, or advising the Principal on the deployment of staff involved in the subject to make sure the best use of subject, technical and other expertise
resources are effectively deployed by:	 Making sure the effective and efficient management and organisation of learning resources, including ICT
	 Maintaining existing resources and explore opportunities to develop or incorporate new resources from a wide range of sources inside and outside the school
	 Using space to create an effective and stimulating environment for the teaching and learning of the subject
	 Making sure that there is a safe working and learning environment in which risks are properly assessed

The above responsibilities and duties will be undertaken in addition to the duties of a schoolteacher contained in the School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Document. This job description does not direct the particular amount of time to be spent on carrying out the above duties and responsibilities and no part of it may be so constructed. This job description is not necessarily a comprehensive definition of the post. It will be reviewed at least once a year and may be subject to modification or amendments at any time after consultation with the post holder.

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