# SCIENCE TECHNICIAN: Person Specification

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# Salary

[In accordance with the school’s support staff structure and/or any local agreement that are in place].

# Job purpose

The Science Technician is responsible for:

1. Assisting in ensuring a safe, effective and efficient laboratory technical service is provided for students and teaching staff within the department.
2. Providing technical advice and assistance in the classroom to support students and to assist teaching staff with the provision of learning activities.
3. Ensuring that health and safety requirements and other relevant regulations are adhered to including the completion and recording of necessary checks and risk assessments.

# Qualification and experience:

1. Studied to a minimum standard of GCSE (grade A\*–C) or equivalent, in English, mathematics and a science.
2. Experience of working in a relevant discipline within a laboratory or similar environment.

# Desirable:

* Further/higher education / NVQ or equivalent qualification in a relevant discipline.
* Experience of working in a school or similar establishment.
* Experience of working with children/young people.

# Knowledge and skills:

1. Ability to build and form good relationships with students and colleagues.
2. Ability to work constructively as part of a team, understanding school roles and responsibilities including own.
3. Verbal and written communication skills appropriate to the need to communicate effectively with colleagues, students and other professionals
4. Good standard of numeracy and literacy skills.
5. Ability to absorb and understand a wide range of information.
6. Ability to operate a range of ICT equipment and other specialist resources.
7. Ability to proficiently use computer software including word-processing, spreadsheet, database and internet systems.

# Desirable:

* Working knowledge of relevant policies, procedures, regulations/legislation eg health and safety and COSHH.

# Personal qualities:

1. Initiative and ability to prioritise one’s own work and make informed decisions.
2. Able to follow direction and work in collaboration with line manager.
3. Able to work flexibly to meet deadlines and respond to unplanned situations.
4. Efficient and meticulous in organisation.
5. Desire to enhance and develop skills and knowledge through CPD.
6. Commitment to the highest standards of child protection and safeguarding.
7. Recognition of the importance of personal responsibility for health and safety.
8. Commitment to the school’s ethos, aims and its whole community