

ST AIDAN'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL

THE SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

The successful candidate will join a Science Department of 26 full and part time staff. Six of these members of staff form the Chemistry Department.

The Chemistry Department is a very successful department. In 2015, 99.4% of the 161 pupils entered for separate Science Chemistry obtained an A*-C grade. At Advanced Level (A2) 84 students were entered and there was a 100% pass rate with 79% of students obtaining an A*-B grade.

At Key Stage 3 General Science is taught in years 7 and 8. All pupils have 3 periods of Science a week and it is taught in short topic units. In Year 9 Separate Sciences are taught to all pupils, by specialist teachers. All pupils have one period of Chemistry, Biology and Physics per week.

At Key Stage 4 pupils opt to take either the three Separate Sciences or Double Award Combined Science.

All 3 Sciences are taught by subject specialists. For Separate Science and Double Award Combined Science pupils have 2 periods per week of each Science. A high percentage of the pupils opt to study 3 Separate Sciences

Large numbers of students study Chemistry in the Sixth Form and many of these go on to study Science at University. The OCR Salters' examination syllabus is taught and each student has 4.5 lessons of Chemistry per week. There are currently 14 groups studying Advanced Level Chemistry. Four of these groups are taught at St John Fisher Catholic High School as part of the Associated Sixth Form.

The successful candidate is expected to be a hard working colleague who can convey the subject enthusiastically to all age and ability ranges.

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Head of Science