

Welcome to St Cuthbert Mayne School

'Educating for life in all its fullness'

Welcome from the Headteacher

Thank you for your interest in the advertised post of Science Teacher at St Cuthbert Mayne School. This is a full time maternity cover contract starting in September 2024.

We are seeking to appoint an exceptional teacher of Science to join our amazing and supportive Science Department. The successful candidate will be a hardworking and dedicated teacher of Science whose enthusiasm for their subject generates excitement and a love of learning.

We are looking for a team player, who is focused on ensuring that our students have a great Science learning experience in every lesson. We want all of our students to reach their full potential. This is in line with our school vision - "Educating for life in all its fullness".

Whether you are an ECT or an experienced teacher, we are committed to developing all our staff through regular coaching and a wide range of professional development opportunities both in school and through external partners such as the South West Institute for Teaching (SWIFT) . We also work in partnership with Education South West (ESW) as part of a strong family of schools. If you are passionate about making a difference to the life chances of our children then we want to hear from you!

If you would like to discuss the role or visit the school before application please contact our Human Resources Officer - recruitment@stcm.torbay.sch.uk

About our School

St Cuthbert Mayne School is a Joint Roman Catholic & Church of England School that welcomes all students from across Torbay and South Devon, regardless of their faith background. Our school community is made up of students and staff from Christian and non-Christian backgrounds, who are respectful of our Christian ethos.

There are currently over 1000 students on roll and the school is growing in size year on year. The teaching accommodation is of mixed age but well-resourced and maintained. We have just completed phase three of our exciting building project, which has significantly improved the facilities for students and staff in our school. Over the last three years the school has invested heavily in improving the teaching accommodation across the school. This included some major refurbishment in our Science Department. There is still more to do and this reflects our ambition to provide the best learning environment for our students.

It is an exciting time to join us on our journey to provide an outstanding, inspirational and challenging education for all students. We have a relentless focus on ensuring that our children get access to the best possible teaching through an ambitious and engaging curriculum, so that they live life to the full both now and in the future. This will be a challenging but very rewarding post.

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The Science Department

At St Cuthbert Mayne, we offer an ambitious and challenging Key Stage 3 curriculum until the end of year 9. We teach a well designed and sequenced curriculum that is aligned with the national curriculum and more. It is designed to teach students the fundamental knowledge and skills of science to enable them to be the scientists of the future.

Students in Key Stage 4 follow the AQA Combined Science Trilogy specification. All of our most able scientists have the opportunity to study triple science which gives them the chance to be ambitious and really challenge themselves.

At KS5 we offer BTEC Applied Science. The BTEC is a new qualification offered at St Cuthbert Mayne and has proved popular with our students who are enjoying a more vocational qualification.

As a department we work collaboratively to continuously improve the quality of science education here at St Cuthbert Mayne and are excited to welcome an excellent science practitioner into the mix.

About this post - Lead Practitioner

Salary - MPS/UPS

Contract - Maternity Cover

Hours - 1.0 FTE

Start - September 2024

Application Process

Please complete and submit an application form. If you have not heard from us within two weeks of your application, then you have not been successful.

You are asked to complete and include the following:

- 1. Application Form This can be found on our website at https://www.st-cuthbertmayne.co.uk/teaching-staff-vacancies/
- 2. Letter of Application/Supporting Statement no longer than 2 sides of A4 to be included with the application form. (Please use it to show how you have the skills, knowledge and experience to carry out the role for which you are applying to a high standard).

- 3. Submit your application electronically to our HR Officer recruitment@stcm.torbay.sch.uk by 10am on Tuesday 16th April
- 4. Please do not submit your CV. As a school, we are committed to safer recruitment and as such can only accept applications that are on the school's application form. Please complete all sections of the form in full.

Interviews will take place on Tuesday 23rd April

St Cuthbert Mayne School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful candidate will be required to undertake a Disclosure and Barring Service Check and references will be taken for all shortlisted candidates.

St Cuthbert Mayne School is an equal opportunities employer and as such we do not discriminate based on age, gender, disability, race or any other equal opportunities criteria.



St Cuthbert Mayne School

Teacher of Science

Post Title:	Teacher of Science
Accountable to (Line Manager):	Subject Curriculum Leader
Salary Grade:	MPS/UPS
School Area:	Quality of Education

Class Teacher Roles and Responsibilities

All Teaching Staff are expected to meet and demonstrate the relevant National Standards for Teachers available at: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/teachers-standards

Set high expectations which inspire, motivate and challenge students

- establish a safe and stimulating environment for students, rooted in mutual respect
- set goals that stretch and challenge students of all backgrounds, abilities and dispositions
- demonstrate consistently the positive attitudes, values and behaviour which are expected of students.

Promote good progress and outcomes by students

- be accountable for students' attainment, progress and outcomes
- be aware of students' capabilities and their prior knowledge, and plan teaching to build on these
- guide students to reflect on the progress they have made and their emerging needs
- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of how students learn and how this impacts on teaching
- encourage students to take a responsible and conscientious attitude to their own work and study.

Demonstrate good subject and curriculum knowledge

 have a secure knowledge of the relevant subject(s) and curriculum areas, foster and maintain students' interest in the subject, and address misunderstandings

- demonstrate a critical understanding of developments in the subject and curriculum areas, and promote the value of scholarship
- demonstrate an understanding of and take responsibility for promoting high standards of literacy, articulacy and the correct use of standard English, whatever the teacher's specialist subject
- if teaching early reading, demonstrate a clear understanding of systematic synthetic phonics
- if teaching early mathematics, demonstrate a clear understanding of appropriate teaching strategies.

Plan and teach well-structured lessons

- impart knowledge and develop understanding through effective use of lesson time
- promote a love of learning and children's intellectual curiosity
- set home learning and plan other out-of-class activities to consolidate and extend the knowledge and understanding students have acquired
- reflect systematically on the effectiveness of lessons and approaches to teaching
- contribute to the design and provision of an engaging curriculum within the relevant subject area(s).

Adapt teaching to respond to the strengths and needs of all students

- know when and how to differentiate appropriately, using approaches which enable students to be taught effectively
- have a secure understanding of how a range of factors can inhibit students' ability to learn, and how best to overcome these
- demonstrate an awareness of the physical, social and intellectual development of children, and know how to adapt teaching to support students' education at different stages of development
- have a clear understanding of the needs of all students, including those with special educational needs; those of high ability; those with English as an additional language; those with disabilities; and be able to use and evaluate distinctive teaching approaches to engage and support them.

Make accurate and productive use of assessment

- know and understand how to assess the relevant subject and curriculum areas, including statutory assessment requirements
- make use of formative and summative assessment to secure students' progress
- use relevant data to monitor progress, set targets, and plan subsequent lessons
- give students regular feedback, both orally and through accurate marking, and encourage students to respond to the feedback.

Manage behaviour effectively to ensure a good and safe learning environment

- have clear rules and routines for behaviour in classrooms, and take responsibility for promoting good and courteous behaviour both in classrooms and around the school, in accordance with the school's behaviour policy
- have high expectations of behaviour, and establish a framework for discipline with a range of strategies, using praise, sanctions and rewards consistently and fairly

- manage classes effectively, using approaches which are appropriate to students' needs in order to involve and motivate them
- maintain good relationships with students, exercise appropriate authority, and act decisively when necessary.

Fulfil wider professional responsibilities

- To promote the Chirstian ethos of the school
- To follow and adhere to all school policies and procedures
- Be aware of the responsibility for personal Health, Safety and Welfare and that of others who may be affected by your actions or inactions.
- Be aware of the need for good life/work balance for all staff.
- To make maximum use of opportunities to promote a culture of first attention to positive behaviour.
- Promote the health, welfare and emotional well-being of all students and staff
- Promote equality of opportunity for all students and staff
- develop effective professional relationships with colleagues, knowing how and when to draw on advice and specialist support
- deploy support staff effectively
- take responsibility for improving teaching through appropriate professional development, responding to advice and feedback from colleagues
- communicate effectively with parents with regard to students' achievements and well-being.
- To undertake any task as directed by the Headteacher that is commensurate with the post

Personal and Professional Conduct

A teacher is expected to demonstrate consistently high standards of personal and professional conduct. Teachers uphold public trust in the profession and maintain high standards of ethics and behaviour, within and outside school, by:

- treating students with dignity, building relationships rooted in mutual respect, and at all times observing proper boundaries appropriate to a teacher's professional position
- having regard for the need to safeguard students' well-being, in accordance with statutory provisions
- showing tolerance of and respect for the rights of others
- not undermining fundamental British values, including democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect, and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs
- ensuring that personal beliefs are not expressed in ways which exploit students' vulnerability or might lead them to break the law.
- Teachers must have proper and professional regard for the ethos, policies and practices of the school in which they teach, and maintain high standards in their own attendance and punctuality.
- Teachers must have an understanding of, and always act within, the statutory frameworks which set out their professional duties and responsibilities.

Health and Safety

• Be aware of the responsibility for personal Health, Safety and Welfare and that of others who may be affected by your actions or inactions.

- Be aware of the need for good life/work balance for all staff.
- Cooperate with the employer on all issues to do with Health, Safety & Welfare including this as a standing item on departmental agendas.
- Ensure regular risk assessments are carried out as per school policy and refer to relevant parties.

School Ethos and Values

- To conduct oneself in a manner befitting a teacher at all times, ensuring behaviours that display positivity to others.
- To make maximum use of opportunities to generate a culture of celebration and praise amongst the staff and students of the School.
- Promote the health, welfare and emotional well-being of all students and staff.
- Promote equality of opportunity for all students and staff.

Other

- All staff must commit to Equal Opportunities and Anti-Discriminatory Practice.
- The post-holder is expected to familiarise themselves with and adhere to all relevant policies and procedures.
- Take responsibility for personal health and wellbeing, modelling good work.life balance to colleagues, staff and students.

Safeguarding

St Cuthbert Mayne School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff to share this commitment.

Roles and job descriptions are subject to an annual review.

Person Specification: Teacher of Science

The following list is indicative of the kind of person we are looking for but **not all of these criteria are essential.** However, please do try to give evidence of how you fulfil the majority of these requirements in your application.

Person Specification	Essential	Desirable	Evidence based		
Qualifications		•			
Qualified Teacher Status	Essential		Application Certificates		
Honours Degree or equivalent	Essential		Application Certificate		
Recent participation in a range of relevant professional development e.g. ECT/NPQ programmes		Desirable	Application Certificate		
Professional Experience and Knowledge					
Successful teaching as evidenced through great outcomes for students	Essential		Application		
Understanding of what makes an ambitious and well designed Science curriculum	Essential		Application Interview		
Understand how assessment is used to adapt and develop the curriculum	Essential		Application Interview		
Understand how the curriculum can be adapted to meet the needs of vulnerable students such as those with SEND.	Essential		Application Interview		
Effective behaviour management strategies	Essential		Application interview		
Experience of teaching at Key Stage 3, 4 and 5 Science		Desirable	Application Interview		
Up to date knowledge of the latest educational research to improve the teaching of Science	Essential		Application Interview		
Experience of teaching in Christian school.		Desirable	Application Interview		
Experience of working in collaboration with other educational bodies and the wider community to develop positive relationships		Desirable	Application Interview		
In-depth knowledge and experience of Child Protection and Safeguarding procedures	Essential		Application Interview		
Professional skills					
Ability to communicate effectively orally and in writing to a range	Essential		Application		

of audiences		Interview
Well-developed interpersonal skills	Essential	Application Interview
Strong commitment to team working and partnership	Essential	Application Interview
Personal Qualities		
Committed to the development and maintenance of good relationships with staff, parents, students, governors, and the community	Essential	Interview
Positive, passionate and enthusiastic outlook, embracing risk and innovation	Essential	Interview
Good organisation skills	Essential	Interview
A sense of humour	Essential	Interview
Committed to leading extra curricular activities	Essential	Application Interview
Demonstrate respect and empathy towards others	Essential	Interview
Resilience, perseverance and optimism in the face of difficulties and challenges	Essential	Interview
Ability to be consistently decisive and focused on solutions	Essential	Interview
Commitment and dedication to social justice, equality and excellence	Essential	Interview
Capacity to be flexible, adaptable and creative	Essential	Interview
Committed to the CPD of self and others in the school	Essential	Application Interview
Committed to a collaborative school vision of excellence and equity that sets high standards for all and welcomes and secures the support of others in achieving it	Essential	Interview
Willingness to develop/be sensitive towards the Christian ethos of the school	Essential	Interview
The ability to form and maintain appropriate relationships and personal boundaries with children and young people in line with the safeguarding and child protection policy and staff code of conduct	Essential	Interview
Equal opportunities		
Candidates must demonstrate an awareness and understanding of equal opportunities	Essential	Application Interview