



## **Teacher of Science - Information for applicants**

We are seeking an enthusiastic and well qualified Subject Teacher of Science to teach across all key stages and abilities in our highly successful 11-18 Academy. Heathside School is an over-subscribed, high-performing school located in Weybridge, Surrey. Heathside is the founding school in the ElmWey Learning Trust.

### **Staff and Facilities**

The team is led by the Curriculum Manager for Science. There are 12 teachers and the Science department is supported by the equivalent of 3.5 full time technicians.

The Area has nine laboratories, seven of which have been refurbished.

### **Key Stage Three**

We use Activate Science scheme as a base for teaching KS3, which we finish at the end of Year 8. Staff teach all aspects of the course. In Year 7, students are taught in tutor groups. In Year 8 we have ability sets with setting based on the results of end of module tests and exams taken at the end of the year.

### **Key Stage Four**

Students have three double science lessons per week, identified as Biology, Chemistry and Physics from Year 10 onwards and are taught by subject specialists. Currently, all students complete the separate science course at either higher or foundation level. The Science GCSE 9-4 pass rates for 2019 were as follows:

Combined Science	(2 passes, 9-4)	81.0%
Biology 9-4	(63 students)	100%
Chemistry 9-4	(63 students)	100%
Physics 9-4	(63 students)	100%

The Science GCSE 9-4 pass rates for 2020 were as follows:

Combined Science	(2 passes, 9-4)	72.9%
Biology 9-4	(62 students)	98%
Chemistry 9-4	(61 students)	97%
Physics 9-4	(61 students)	98%

### **Sixth Form**

'A' Level Biology, Chemistry and Physics are strong subjects at Heathside. The courses are extremely popular and are delivered to groups of well-motivated students. Practical resources are very good. GCSE requirements for entry to the Sixth Form are high and the department aims for high academic standards. Each year we have a large number of students who wish to progress to scientific degree level study. In the last two years we have been delighted to see students go to study a science subject at Oxford and Cambridge.

### **A Level Biology**

We deliver the AQA Biology course. The students have five lessons per week, structured into two double lessons and a single lesson. In August 2019, our results were as follows:

A2     71.8% A\*-C grades (32 students)

In August 2020, our results were as follows:

A2     96.1% A\*-C grades (26 students)

### **A Level Chemistry**

We deliver the OCR B (Salters) course. The students have five lessons per week, structured into two double lessons and a single lesson. In August 2019, our results were as follows:

A2 94.7% A\*-C grades (19 students)

In August 2020, our results were as follows:

A2 84.0% A\*-C grades (25 students)

### **A Level Physics**

We deliver the AQA Physics course. The students have five lessons per week, structured into two double lessons and a single lesson. In August 2019, our results were as follows:

A2 93.3% A\*-C grades (15 students)

In August 2020, our results were as follows:

A2 85.0% A\*-C grades (20 students)

We are committed to continuous professional development and offer a wide range of training and development opportunities. The school is very popular and is an excellent platform for staff to further develop their professional career.

If you would like to discuss the post further please contact Emma Langham, Curriculum Area Manager for Science [elangham@heathside.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:elangham@heathside.surrey.sch.uk)

### **How to Apply:**

Please complete an application form which can be downloaded from the school's website. In addition to your application form please email a letter of application, detailing reasons for your interest in this post and your relevant skills and experience.

Completed application forms and covering letters should be submitted to: [jobapplications@heathside.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:jobapplications@heathside.surrey.sch.uk)

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the child welfare. Applicants must undergo child protection screening, including checks with past employers and Enhanced DBS check. Committed to equal opportunities, we welcome applications from all sections of the community.

**Start date: September 2021**