

March 2021

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the post of Teacher of Science at St Antony's Roman Catholic School. I have provided below further details below which I hope will provide you with ample information about the post. Please see our website for details of the school and visit our Facebook and Instagram pages for the most up-to-date news and information. We are seeking to appoint an outstanding colleague who can teach at both Key Stage 3 and 4 in this very effective department. The starting date is 1st September 2021.

The Department

The Science Department at St Antony's Roman Catholic School is a team of five dedicated and experienced teachers. We work creatively and collaboratively, and we aim to achieve the highest standards for all our students.

At KS3, pupils are taught the fundamental concepts of Biology, Chemistry and Physics in a sequence that provides variety as well as laying the 'foundation stones' for GCSE study. The sequence means that all ideas are revisited multiple times in ever increasing depth. This idea not only allows pupils to build their knowledge progressively but also provides links between different topic areas that assists pupils in understanding the interleaving ideas between different scientific disciplines.

At KS4, we follow the Edexcel GCSE Combined Science course. Pupils are afforded the opportunity to consolidate their learning from key stage three, as well as developing understanding of new content and skills which are required as part of the GCSE assessment framework. Each scientific discipline contains 'big ideas' that run all the way through from Year 7-11.

We are an ambitious and passionate department, and continuing professional development to enhance our subject knowledge is fundamentally important to us. Most importantly, however, we are supportive of each other and have a strong sense of shared commitment.

Safeguarding

St Antony's Roman Catholic School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff to share this commitment.

Applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS). Successful applicants will be asked to complete and return a 'DBS Application Form' for which ID should be provided at interview stage.

Candidates should be aware that all posts in school involve some degree of responsibility for safeguarding children, although the extent of that responsibility will vary according to the nature of the post. If you are currently working with children, on either a paid or voluntary basis, your current employer will be asked

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about disciplinary offences, including disciplinary offences related to children or young persons (whether the disciplinary sanction is current or time expired), and whether you have been the subject of any child protection allegations or concerns and if so the outcome of any enquiry or disciplinary procedure. If you are not currently working with children but have done so in the past, that previous employer will be asked about those issues. Where neither your current nor previous employment has involved working with children, your current employer will still be asked about your suitability to work with children, although he/she may, where appropriate, answer 'not applicable' if your duties have not brought you into contact with children or young persons. This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and therefore all convictions, cautions and bind-overs, including those regarded as 'spent', must be declared.

Application process

I hope that the information that has been provided here, and on our website has hooked your interest and I look forward to hearing from you. Should you wish to meet with me prior to applying I should be delighted to do so. Please contact school via email on head@st-antonys.com to arrange a mutually convenient time.

Should you decide to apply for the post all of the relevant documents are on our website (www.st-antonys.com). Please refer firstly to the '**Guidance Notes for Teaching Staff Applicants**'. Complete the application form, together with a letter of application outlining your vision and philosophy for the teaching of Science at St Antony's Roman Catholic School, your relevant experience and your understanding of current, relevant educational developments. Your letter should not exceed 2 pages of A4 in length. Please note that we do not accept Curriculum Vitae.

The closing date is Monday 19th April 2021 at 12pm. If you have not heard from us within 3 weeks of the closing date, please assume that your application has been unsuccessful on this occasion. We are unable to provide feedback on unsuccessful applications.

I look forward to receiving and reading your application.

Yours faithfully,

Fiona Wright - Headteacher

