

## **Wilmington Grammar School for Boys**

### **Science Technician**

Salary: Grade 5 Actual Salary £21,073 - £23,438

Hours: 37 hours per week, 39 weeks per year (Term Time + 5 inset days)

**Start Date: September 2025** 





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## The Post

#### SCIENCE TECHNICIAN: WILMINGTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL FOR BOYS

Wilmington Grammar School for Boys is an 11-18 year old selective Boys' Grammar School, with a coeducational sixth form, run jointly with Wilmington Grammar School for Girls.

We are looking to appoint a Science Technician to join our busy and friendly Science Department. We are looking for a person who will enjoy employing their skills, ideas and resourcefulness in a school renowned for its creativity. The candidate should be a dedicated and hardworking individual who would thrive in a school environment.

This role would suit someone who is skilled and organised and who would enjoy working alongside teaching staff to bring science to life through practical work.

We are a high achieving and ambitious Grammar School where students and staff are supported to be the very best they can. As such, we offer staff an abundance of professional development opportunities. We have excellent facilities and have a very supporting community of staff, students, governors and parents.

The successful candidate will:

- Maintain an excellent working relationship with staff, students, parents and visitors
- Be a team player and willing to support other members of the Department
- Be proactive and have excellent organisation and communication skills
- Have a passion for Science
- Be a person willing to commit to the ethos and vision of the school
- Be willing to undertake any training offered to help with their professional development

Wilmington Grammar School for Boys is a Good school with a strong track record of achievement. We are part of the Endeavour MAT family of schools, and we pride ourselves on setting consistently high expectations, securing exceptional outcomes and delivering high quality standards of teaching and learning for all.

As an employee of Endeavour MAT the successful candidate will benefit from strong career development opportunities, a transparent pay structure and fantastic colleagues.

As a Trust we are fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

School-based roles are exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 but you are not required to disclose convictions or cautions that are 'protected', as defined by the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions) Order 1975 (as amended in 2013).

Shortlisted candidates will be asked to self-declare any information that would make them unsuitable to work with children.

All offers of employment are subject to an Enhanced DBS check.

## School Vision and Values

WGSB promotes the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, and mutual respect and tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs.

**Personal Excellence** is an aspiration for all students in order to fulfil their potential. This is achieved in WGSB by providing a personalised and appropriate curriculum with high quality teaching and learning opportunities and the setting, monitoring and support of challenging but realistic personal targets. WGSB encourages whole child enrichment and will provide varied opportunities and dedicated support for students to develop their individual personal skills and talents.

**Respect & Friendship** is the foundation of the cheerful and secure culture that exists at WGSB. Students, staff and all who represent the school community will be expected to value and care for themselves and each other. Students will learn about and experience a variety of historical and contemporary spiritual, cultural and religious beliefs. The school community will actively support those who are less fortunate than ourselves. We are proud of the harmony which exists amongst our multi-cultural intake.

**Innovation & Creativity** are two of the key core attributes that determine an outstanding performance in our modern society. WGSB will continually strive to develop and improve the highest quality of learning that it can provide for its students by introducing appropriate, outstanding, educational practice from national and international sources. Students in turn will be provided with many opportunities to develop and demonstrate their own innovation and enquiry skills, leadership, self-reflection and creativity throughout their school career.

**Determination** is a characteristic that will develop self-belief and the resolve to succeed. The determination of WGSB to provide an outstanding educational experience to its students can only be matched by the fortitude of those same students to utilise the opportunity.

**Equality for all** WGSB will ensure provision is made for the same high quality education irrespective of ability, age, gender, race or religion. Students will be expected to demonstrate the same ethics themselves.



# Job Description – Science Technician

#### **Overall Job Purpose**

To provide support to teaching staff in the preparation and delivery of lessons to ensure the highest quality of teaching and learning takes place.

Within the Science labs, maintain or prepare equipment and resources for lessons as requested by teaching staff and store equipment after use. This includes ensuring health, safety and hygiene rules are adhered to and notifying teachers of any difficulty in these areas.

#### Main Duties and Responsibilities:

- Prepare necessary solutions and equipment for practical experiments
- Carrying out risk assessments for practical and technical activities
- Maintaining, repairing and taking inventory of apparatus
- Liaising with staff over equipment and safety issues
- Keep all classrooms organised and free from hazards
- To assist Science staff in developing appropriate resources for teaching and learning
- Assisting with Open Evenings
- To provide support for teachers during practical lessons if required
- Under the direction of the Senior Science Technician, ensure that all Health and Safety requirements are met
- To support with the department's photocopying and filing

#### The ideal candidate will have:

- Practical/hands-on experience is desirable
- Ability to show initiative and to prioritise one's own work and that of others
- · Ability to work as part of a team and individually
- Self-motivating with the ability to multi task
- Confident in the use of ICT

Whilst every effort has been made to explain the main duties and responsibilities of the post, the list of tasks is not exhaustive. Employees will be expected to comply with any reasonable request from a manager to undertake work of a similar level that is not specified in this job description.

The school will endeavour to make any necessary reasonable adjustments to the job and the working environment to enable access to employment opportunities for disabled job applicants or continued employment for any employee who develops a disabling condition during their employment.

## What We Can offer You

As well as offering a competitive salary: a supportive working environment; modern facilities; allocated parking space; use of school gym and a collegial staff team, we can also offer you the opportunity to advance your career with us.

You will be joining an Academy Trust already established in developing practitioners, and nurturing excellent future leaders, with unrivalled opportunities for progression; whatever your aspirations are as a senior leader.

A significant reward of working within our Trust schools is that you will have the opportunity to work with some of the most talented, engaged and motivated students and staff in the country. Our common values of respect, integrity, determination, equality of opportunity and self-management instil in our students a strong work ethic and our supportive culture provides what many of our existing staff describe as a 'family feel' within our MAT.

As well as offering you a competitive salary and access to a generous pension scheme, there are also many additional benefits of working within one of our Trust schools, some of which are summarised below:

- A supportive and collegiate staffing team
- A strategic programme of personalised CPD is offered, to help you plan your future career
- As a Trust with both selective and non-selective schools, staff secondment opportunities are available
- Access to a range of career enhancing qualifications including National Professional Qualifications (NPQML, NPQSL, NPQH and NPQEL), as well as industry specific qualifications e.g. AAT; BIFM and Masters degrees
- Staff social events
- Staff enrichment opportunities e.g. Art classes, Book Club and Sporting activities
- Opportunities to participate in a varied programme of school trips, including visits to Thailand, Spain, Winter Sports in the USA etc.
- A policy of promoting from within (where possible).
- Access to coaching and mentoring and an assortment of intra school and Trust to Trust collaborative opportunities

# Person Specification

Area	Essential	Desirable
Education and Qualifications	<ul> <li>An academic qualification, at least to A Level in sciences</li> <li>Have a awareness/knowledge of HASAW, COSHH regulations and CLEAPPS requirements</li> </ul>	Degree level, in Sciences
Knowledge, skills and experience	<ul> <li>Ability to work to tight deadlines and be flexible in supporting other staff.</li> <li>Keen interest and passion for the education of young people and the ability to contribute more widely to the life and community of the school</li> <li>Ability to work effectively as part of a team.</li> <li>Good interpersonal skills.</li> <li>Ability to communicate well with students</li> <li>Ability to organise own time to ensure that resources are available when required</li> </ul>	Previous experience working as a technician in an educational setting.
Special aptitudes	<ul> <li>Excellent analytical and communication skills</li> <li>Ability to meet ALL internal and external deadlines ensuring work is of an exemplary standard.</li> <li>Must have the upmost integrity as well as high levels of motivation and commitment.</li> </ul>	

# **Application Process**

The closing date for applications is Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June, although applications will be processed as they arrive and interviews may be arranged earlier than the closing date.

Please submit your application via the Vacancies page on the Wilmington Grammar School for Boys website: www.wgsb.co.uk

Applications should include a supporting statement explaining how you meet the person specification and why you consider yourself to be an ideal candidate for this post.

We would encourage you to visit our school prior to an application. Please email Emma Edwards, Heads PA at <a href="mailto:eedwards@wgsb.co.uk">eedwards@wgsb.co.uk</a> to make the arrangements.

Please note we will assess applications as they arrive and reserve the right to close the application process early.