



TEACHER OF PHYSICS REQUIRED FROM SEPTEMBER 2025

The School

St Gabriel's is a co-educational independent day school founded in 1929, which incorporates St Gabriel's Nursery, our EYFS provision. Situated in 33 acres of beautiful parkland, landscaped by Capability Brown, the school has evolved and developed over its 90-year history to provide a wonderful learning environment for children aged 6 months to 18 years.

St Gabriel's pupils thrive through strong, effective pastoral support; our broad curriculum and range of activities afford each pupil the opportunity to enjoy success according to their particular talents. St Gabriel's is no ordinary school; parents are always impressed by the sense of purpose and enthusiasm of the talented, committed staff and the confidence of the extremely happy pupils. We fuel our pupils' intellectual curiosity and broaden their horizons, developing their confidence and self-belief and ultimately ensuring that they achieve their academic potential.

Our passionate staff deliver inspirational teaching and exceptional pastoral care creating a relaxed and friendly environment for learning. Pupils are provided with opportunities to develop their confidence, talents and potential, enabling them to achieve high levels of success and readiness for the future.

The Department

The Science Department is an expanding and highly professional group of teaching and technical practitioners. There are six members of teaching staff and three friendly and competent technicians. The department is housed in a single building with all practical science lessons being taught in laboratories. There are three smartly refurbished laboratories and one smaller Sixth Form laboratory. There is also a large characterful laboratory space in the style of a Victorian orangery. Teaching rooms generally have interactive whiteboards and a range of plain whiteboards.

In Year 7 and Year 8, pupils follow the AQA Activate course which prepares them with skills in Science and Mathematics for entrance to the AQA Core GCSE Science in Year 9. We run the Separate and Trilogy AQA courses at GCSE using both the Higher and Foundation papers for Combined Science across our ability range. We have a proportionately high number of pupils who have chosen to embark on A level Science subjects from Year 11. At St Gabriel's, Chemistry and Biology follow OCR A level and we teach to the Edexcel Physics A level specification.

The Post

This forward-thinking school now wishes to appoint a full-time (or part-time minimum 0.75) Teacher of Physics who has the ability to teach physics to A level. Being directly responsible to the Head of Science, the successful candidate should be able to motivate pupils of all abilities, participate actively in a team environment, champion physics at all levels and show a willingness to contribute to the broader life of the school.

Key Tasks

Teaching and Learning:

- To teach KS3, GCSE and A level as appropriate, or as required by the Head of Science or Principal.
- To prepare and provide safe classroom activities appropriate to each year group.
- To prepare, set and mark class work or homework as appropriate for pupils in accordance with the School's Assessment for Learning Policy.
- To mark internal examinations.
- To monitor standards of achievement, ensuring that assessment is regular, informative and in accordance with the School's Assessment for Learning Policy.
- To attend parents' evenings and communicate with parents, in conjunction with HOD, whenever necessary throughout the year.

Personal and academic qualities

The Teacher of Physics will:

- have a good relevant degree and PGCE, or equivalent.
- be an outstanding and enthusiastic practitioner.
- demonstrate initiative and have excellent interpersonal skills.
- keep up to date with curriculum development, examination demands and teaching techniques.
- be pivotal in implementing and have input when reviewing schemes of work in order to provide a coordinated and differentiated programme of study.
- arrange, or assist in the arrangement of, regular extra-curricular visits or clinics that support teaching and learning and promote further engagement and enjoyment of Science at St Gabriel's.
- be IT literate and confident with technology.

Overarching ethos of St Gabriel's

The pupils in our care are individuals and we recognise that every pupil arrives at the school with potential and must be able to succeed in our environment. Each pupil and their parents are therefore entitled to and receive support, which is adapted at every stage of their development according to their needs.

St Gabriel's aims to sustain excellent standards of pastoral care. The school thrives on all staff being courteous to colleagues and providing a welcoming environment to visitors and telephone callers.

We promote moral and spiritual values through the quality of relationships between pupils and between pupils and staff; commitment to the care of others remains paramount to the ethos of the school.

Salary

St Gabriel's has its own generous salary scales and the APTIS Superannuation Scheme applies.

Method of Application

Please apply by completing an Application Form (either through TES, or the St Gabriel's application form found on the website) to camilla@stgabriels.co.uk. Applications should arrive by 8am on Monday, 24 January with interviews the following week.

The post holder's responsibility for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young persons for whom s/he is responsible, or with whom s/he comes into contact will be to adhere to and ensure compliance with the school's Child Protection (Safeguarding) Policy & Safeguarding Guidance at all times. If, in the course of carrying out the duties of the post, the post holder becomes aware of any actual or potential risks to the safety or welfare of children in the school, s/he must report any concerns to the school's Designed Safeguarding Lead or to the Principal.