

## Appointment of Science Technician

September 2024 / January 2025

### Information for Applicants



## The Role

St Teresa's seeks to appoint an enthusiastic, energetic, reliable and organised person to join this friendly and forward-thinking department as a Science Technician. The Technician is responsible for a wide range of duties and responsibilities connected with the provision of resources to the Science department in a healthy and safe working environment. Previous experience working in a science environment preferred, although full training will be given.

## The Science Department

Science is flourishing at St Teresa's and is currently one of the most popular choices at A Level and GCSE. There are currently six full time and 4 part-time teachers. You will join a friendly, supportive and hard-working team.

The department is well-equipped with online resources, textbooks and teaching equipment.

### Main Duties and Responsibilities

- The co-ordination of the use of practical resources and facilities.
- Provide assistance and advice in meeting the practical needs of the Science curriculum.
- Liaising with teaching staff and support staff both inside and outside the department

## The School

St Teresa's has a school population of 680 including over 80 boarders, and a healthy Sixth Form. The school has its own Preparatory School. The school sits in 55 acres of beautiful countryside and the school benefits from excellent facilities. In recent years the school has carried out a significant development programme and further exciting projects are in the pipeline.

St Teresa's offers a strong, caring community based on its Catholic traditions, but remains an inclusive environment that welcomes pupils from all backgrounds. With recognised strengths spanning academia, sport and the creative and performing arts, we focus on the individual, allowing the girls to achieve their best and enabling them to follow their own unique path to happiness and success.

### Location

St Teresa's stands in grounds of 55 acres in an area of outstanding natural beauty between Dorking and Effingham in Surrey. There is easy access to London by road or rail; both Gatwick and Heathrow are within 45 minutes' drive. Own transport to/from the school is required as there is no public transport available.

### Facilities

The school is centred around the original eighteenth century manor house, which has evolved over the years and now proudly boasts some outstanding facilities.

A number of facilities have been provided to meet the needs of a modern education. These include a brand new Sixth Form Centre, Equestrian Centre, Tennis Academy, a Performing Arts Centre comprising a large theatre, drama studios, music classrooms, practice rooms and recording suite and an IT Hub. In addition, pupils at St Teresa's enjoy a swimming pool and an all-weather pitch.

## The Vision

In 2019, neighbouring and complementary schools St Teresa's and Cranmore came together to form Effingham Schools Trust (EST), based on a diamond model – a powerful and exciting educational proposition, delivering all the advantages of both single sex and co-education to girls and boys. The partnership has proven incredibly successful, providing new opportunities for pupils of all ages, and bringing strength and stability to both schools.

EST is delighted to be able to build on this success with the announcement that Manor House School joined the Trust from September 2023, forming a dynamic educational triumvirate. Three modern, progressive schools, Cranmore, Manor House and St Teresa's each have enviable track records, delivering best practice teaching to their pupils, whilst maintaining exceptional pastoral care.

The new partnership will allow each school to focus on its strengths whilst retaining its individuality, presenting to all pupils an extraordinarily rich variety of shared events, facilities and resources to provide a distinctive and distinguished education for pupils of all faiths and backgrounds.

EST's diamond model will offer the benefits of the co-ed classroom to very young pupils, the benefits of the single sex classroom in later prep and secondary years, before finally returning to co-education at Sixth Form. This method reflects and acknowledges that girls and boys approach their learning in differing ways at different developmental stages.

## Remuneration and Benefits

Our staff enjoy working as part of a strong school community.

We reward our talented staff with a range of benefits.

### **Salary**

Salaries for this position will be attractive and competitive.

### **Continued Professional Development**

All staff have access to professional development training as part of the school's performance development and appraisal process. Individuals are encouraged to continue to develop their skills to provide high quality teaching and learning for our pupils.

### **Fee Remission**

Discounts may be available on school fees. Full terms and conditions provided by the Director of Finance.

### **Pension Scheme**

Generous contributory pension scheme.

### **Refreshments and lunch**

Refreshments and lunch provided during term time.

### **Cycle to work**

Cycle to work scheme for staff members.

### **Parking**

Parking for staff members is provided on site.

### **Counselling Service**

A free, confidential 24-hour telephone service available 365 days per year.

### **Use of School sports facilities**

Staff may use the school's 25-metre indoor pool when available.

## Application and Selection Process

All applicants are required to complete an **application form** containing questions about their academic and employment history and their suitability for the role.

Further information including examination results and the Independent Schools' Inspection Report can be found on the School's website [www.st-teresas.com](http://www.st-teresas.com)

As part of St. Teresa's commitment to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, any offer of employment to this post will be subject to receipt of a satisfactory Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check, along with qualifications, two satisfactory references and a satisfactory response to a Health Questionnaire. **Please note that references will be taken up on short listed candidates prior to interview.**

Closing Date for Applications:	Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> August 2024
Applications should be sent to:	Mrs Karen Babler (Recruitment Manager) <a href="mailto:k.babler@st-teresas.com">k.babler@st-teresas.com</a> St Teresa's School Effingham Surrey RH5 6ST

**St Teresa's reserves the right to interview at any stage of the selection process.**