

**Job Title:** Science Technician

**Salary range:** Scale 4 £20,758 - £22,429 Inc. London Weighting (Pro rata £17,754 - £19,183 Inc. LW)

**Contract:** Permanent

**Hours of work:** 36 hours per week

**Working weeks:** Term Time Only (39 weeks)

**Location:** Alperton, London

## Aspire | Commit | Succeed

We are a large, mixed, 11-18 academy with over 300 students in our sixth form. Due to our increased popularity as a school, we have expanded our roll from 10 to 12 form-entry from September 2018. Alperton Community School is proud to be an inclusive comprehensive school with a student intake that reflects a wonderfully diverse and vibrant local community. Our most recent Ofsted rating in July 2016 recognised the school as Good with Outstanding Leadership and Management.

The school achieved its best ever set of GCSE results in 2018. The percentage of students achieving five good GCSEs (Grade 4+/A\*-C) including English and maths has increased by 22% over the last four years and now stands at 64%. Over the last few years the school has been ranked in the top 7% of schools nationally for student progress at GCSE (Progress 8 = +0.47) and ranked in the top 1% for maths and the top 9% for English. The school has been graded as “above average” in the 2018 DfE Performance Tables.

We are very fortunate to have a brand new school building which opened in the summer term. The new building has 83 classrooms with purpose-built specialist Drama, Music, Art and DT facilities as well as 14 Science laboratories, 10 ICT rooms, a Dance Studio, an Activity Studio, an enormous Sports Hall and outdoor MUGA. Every classroom is equipped with state-of-the-art ICT facilities. We are very fortunate to have extensive outdoor spaces which are set aside for break and lunchtime activities.

Our school has become internationally recognised following the success of our Art and Textiles teacher Andria Zafirakou who won the \$1million Global Teacher Prize 2018. The school has been shortlisted for the TES School of the Year 2018 and won the TES Maths Team of the Year 2017. We are one of only four schools in the country to hold the Platinum Professional Development Mark and one of only 100 schools to hold the Inclusion Quality Mark Centre of Excellence.

### The Role

The successful candidates will be one of three Science technicians, reporting to our Senior Science technician and Laboratory manager, working across two sites to provide coordinated technical support and assistance to the Science faculty, ensuring a first class service to our laboratories and Science curriculum. You will be dealing with a wide variety of work up to ‘A’ levels in all three sciences and a good understanding of Health & Safety is expected. Individuals with physics and/or chemistry background would be desirable.

The post-holder will be responsible for the day to day provision of practical equipment and resources for Science lessons, ensuring that proper health and safety procedures are being observed. In addition,



the Science teacher will be responsible for the effective operation and maintenance of Science laboratories used for lessons.

### The Person

The ideal candidate will have a good general education, with at least GCSE grade C in Maths and English (or equivalent), and a relevant laboratory or scientific higher qualification.

While experience in as a technician in a school laboratory environment would be preferred, we would consider well-qualified graduates, with relevant laboratory experience, who are interested in training as Science technicians.

You will have excellent IT skills, especially with Excel or Word, along with strong interpersonal and organisational skills. You should be flexible and able to work independently and as a part of team.

### The Benefits

- On-going extensive CPD programme
- Childcare vouchers
- Ride to work scheme

**Closing Date: midnight – 31 March 2019**

**Assessment & Interview Date: w/c 1 April 2019**

To apply, please visit our [vacancies page](#). Completed application forms may be emailed to; [hr@alperton.brent.sch.uk](mailto:hr@alperton.brent.sch.uk).

### Supplementary Information

We are committed to safer recruitment and safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. We are an inclusive community school and encourage applications from all sections of the community.

Successful candidate(s) will be required to undertake an Enhanced and Barred Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.

Please note CVs will not be considered as part of your application for this position.

Only successful candidates will be notified. If you do not hear from us within 14 days of the closing date, please assume that you have been unsuccessful on this occasion.

