

## KING EDWARD VI ASTON SCHOOL

### Appointment of a technician for Chemistry

This appointment arises from the wish of the current, full-time postholder to move to part-time employment. It is a permanent, part-time position for 2/3 days per week with some flexibility on the days to be worked each week.

This is a Grade 2 position with a salary payable on points 17, 18 or 19 (full-time annual salary £17,372 – 18,376)

The successful applicant is likely to have a qualification in Chemistry at A-Level standard (or its equivalence) or above. Previous experience of working in a school environment, while desirable, is not essential. The successful applicant will have good communication skills, have good knowledge of health & safety requirements, be a competent and confident user of IT, able to work independently as well as being well organised.

There are two other science technicians for Biology & Physics and there is an expectation that all three science technicians will work collaboratively and support each other. Each science has its own prep room and suite of laboratories.

Chemistry is taught as a separate science from Year 8 and all students study GCSE Chemistry. The subject is one of the most popular at A-Level with four classes in each of years 12 & 13. The post holder is line managed by the Subject Leader for Chemistry.

Applicants who wish to be considered for interview must submit a completed application form, ideally by e-mail to [vacancies@keaston.bham.sch.uk](mailto:vacancies@keaston.bham.sch.uk) as well as a letter of application of no more than two sides of A4 in length (word processed, font size 12) explaining why they wish to be considered for the position and how their past experience makes them a suitable candidate. **Candidates who apply using any other type of application form will not be considered.** Applicants must include on the application form the names and contact details of two referees one of whom must be their most recent employer. References from friends, family and acquaintances are not acceptable. The application form and job description for the position can be found on the school's web site ([www.keaston.bham.sch.uk](http://www.keaston.bham.sch.uk))

The school takes its responsibilities towards student safeguarding as a paramount concern. All candidates called for interview can expect to be asked questions with regard to student safeguarding and well-being while the successful candidate will be required to undergo a Criminal Records Background check.

The closing date for applications is noon on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2016 with interviews scheduled to take place during the week commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2016.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at [c.parker@keaston.bham.sch.uk](mailto:c.parker@keaston.bham.sch.uk) or on 0121 322 8835 if you require any further information in respect of this appointment or would like to visit the school before submitting an application.

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Headmaster  
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