



**TAPESTRY
LEARNING
PARTNERSHIP**

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Science Technician

Chellaston Academy, Derby

Permanent

37 hours per week, 40 weeks per year

Pay Scale 3: £22,968 - £23,327 pro rata (£25,917 - £26,322 FTE)

Join us on an exciting journey of transformation and excellence.

At Tapestry Learning Partnership, we believe in the power of education to change lives. Formed in January 2026 through the merger of two strong trusts, QEGSMAT and Djanogly Learning Trust, we are building a future where every child succeeds and flourishes. Now, we are looking for a passionate and committed Science Technician to play a vital role in supporting this vision at Chellaston Academy

About the Role

As a Science Technician at Chellaston Academy, you will play a key role in supporting the delivery of outstanding science education by ensuring that practical lessons are well-prepared, safe, and engaging. Working closely with teaching staff, you will prepare and maintain equipment, materials, and laboratory resources, helping to create a stimulating learning environment where students can develop their scientific knowledge and skills. This is a varied and hands-on role that requires excellent organisation, a commitment to health and safety, and a proactive approach to supporting both staff and students.

Who We're Looking For

We are looking for a well-organised, practical and enthusiastic individual who is passionate about supporting learning and helping young people succeed. You will have experience of working in a science laboratory environment, a strong understanding of health and safety procedures, and the ability to work effectively both independently and as part of a team. Excellent communication skills, attention to detail, and a flexible approach are essential, along with a commitment to the values of inclusion, integrity, care and excellence that underpin everything we do. Whether you are an experienced Science Technician or looking to build on relevant skills and knowledge, we would welcome applications from candidates who are eager to make a positive contribution to our thriving Science Department.

About Chellaston Academy

At Chellaston Academy, children are at the heart of everything we do. Our vision is to create mature, confident and successful global citizens who can thrive in an ever-changing world, guided by our shared values of Integrity, Care and Excellence.

While strong academic outcomes matter, we believe success is defined by far more than examination results. We are committed to developing the whole person, nurturing qualities such as self-confidence, self-belief and self-esteem, and recognising and celebrating individual talents.

Our students benefit from a broad and balanced curriculum, and we work closely with parents and carers to ensure that, when expectations are high and shared, every child can achieve great things. This includes promoting an excellent attitude centred on respect, high standards of appearance, good manners, full attendance and punctuality.

Chellaston Academy is a school where:

- Diversity is celebrated and inclusion shapes everything we do.
- Children feel safe, happy and supported.
- High expectations drive achievement for all.
- Relationships between staff and students are strong, respectful and built on trust.
- Staff wellbeing is valued, and colleagues genuinely enjoy being part of our community.

Why Join Tapestry?

As part of our Trust, you'll benefit from:

- A supportive network of professionals who share your commitment to excellence
- High-quality professional development and career progression opportunities
- A caring, inclusive organisation that values staff wellbeing and work-life balance
- Access to a range of employee benefits designed to promote health and wellbeing

This is your chance to be part of something special. Help us shape the future and make a lasting impact.

Tapestry Learning Partnership is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. It is a criminal offence to engage or seek to engage in regulated activity or regulated work with children, if you appear on the DBS barred list. All appointments are subject to an Enhanced DBS check and be eligible to work in the UK.

Further information about our commitment to Safeguarding can be found at: [Tapestry Learning Partnership](#)

Please be aware, the Trust may also consider performing an online presence check as part of their pre-employment checks.

This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and therefore shortlisted applicants are required to declare all unspent cautions or convictions, and any adult cautions or convictions that are not protected (i.e. that are not filtered out) as defined by the rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions) Order 1975 (as amended in 2013 and 2020)

If you are interested and wish to have an informal conversation to discuss the role or would like to visit the school, we would be happy to arrange this. Please call 01332 702502

Further details about our school can be found on our website: <https://www.chellaston.derby.sch.uk/>

To apply for this position, please visit our careers page via our website: [Tapestry Learning Partnership](#)

Closing Date for applications: Sunday 20th September 2026

Interview Date: TBC

Potential Start Date: October 2026

JOB DESCRIPTION

Post Title:	Science Technician
Reporting to:	Head of Science
Grade:	Scale 3
Disclosure Level:	Child Workforce - Enhanced, Children's Barred List

Purpose of the Post

To contribute towards effective teaching and learning by providing technical support to the Science Department.

Other considerations:

- It will be necessary to work with information technology and associated systems in accordance with school policies;
- All staff are expected to be flexible to ensure the most effective organisation and delivery of learning.

Key Duties and Responsibilities

- Prepare materials and set up equipment, ensuring that it works satisfactorily for Science classes;
- Assist teaching staff, as required, with class practical work;
- Clean glassware and other equipment;
- Put away equipment and materials, disposing of used materials and chemicals in a safe manner and to maintain hygiene (including cleaning of sinks) and safety standards in laboratory and preparation areas;
- Operate a safe and secure system for the storage of equipment and materials, ensuring they are readily accessible;
- Observe safe working practice in accordance with the school's Health and Safety Policy and COSHH guidelines;
- Monitor levels of stock, assist with regular checks as required, and to order new stocks, ensuring best value, and to check deliveries;

The post holder is expected to:

- Maintain strict confidentiality and adhere to data protection legislation and associated Trust policies at all times.
- Demonstrate a clear understanding of, and commitment to, safeguarding and child protection, maintaining an awareness of relevant procedures and responsibilities.
- Comply with the Trust's Health and Safety Policy and ensure safe working practices in the performance of all duties.

- Uphold and promote the principles of the Trust's Equal Opportunities Policy in all aspects of the role.
- Adhere to all other relevant Trust and school policies and procedures.
- Undertake any training and professional development necessary to effectively carry out the duties of the post.
- Perform any other reasonable duties commensurate with the level and responsibilities of the role, as required by the Trust.

Person Specification

Post requirements	Essential	Desirable	Evidence and Assessment
Qualifications			
5 GCSE's grade C or equivalent with a least one in a science subject Good numeracy, literacy and ICT skills	✓		Application form, certificates
Recognised relevant Qualifications: First Aid		✓	Application form, certificates
Knowledge and experience			
Health & Safety Procedures within a Science Laboratory environment Understanding of COSHH & CLEAPPS regulations	✓		Application form, references
Experience of working in a Science Laboratory environment Experience in working with chemicals and scientific equipment	✓		Application form, references
Experience of record keeping and stock control		✓	Application form, references
Personal skills and qualities			
Systematic and practical with strong organisational skills	✓		Application form, references
Effective communication skills	✓		Application form, references
Ability to work as part of a team or independently	✓		Application form, references
Ability to work with diverse groups	✓		Application form, references
Flexible, innovative and willing to embrace new ideas Enthusiastic and self-motivated Willing to develop through appropriate CPD opportunities Ability to develop and maintain effective working relationships within differing contexts	✓		Application form, references