

Science Technician (Level 2)
Permanent
23 hours per week, term-time only
Grade 3, scp3 - £25,614 pro-rata
Required: From November 2026

At Dorchester Middle School, we are committed to providing a high-quality, engaging curriculum that inspires curiosity and a love of learning. We are seeking an enthusiastic, organized and reliable science technician to join our successful team and support the delivery of practical science lessons across the school.

This is an excellent opportunity for someone with a science background or practical laboratory experience to play a vital role in supporting teaching and learning.

Key aspects of the role:

- Prepare and maintain laboratories, classrooms, equipment and materials for practical science lessons.
- Set up and assemble apparatus and resources required for teaching activities.
- Support teachers and pupils during practical sessions.
- Maintain equipment and undertake basic repairs where practical.
- Ensure safe storage, handling and disposal of chemicals and materials.
- Maintain inventories, records and service schedules.
- Assist with ordering, stock control and resource management.
- Ensure compliance with Health and Safety and COSHH requirements.

The successful applicant will:

- Hold a relevant NVQ Level 2 or above, or equivalent experience.
- Have practical laboratory or technical experience.
- Demonstrate excellent organisational and communication skills.
- Be able to work independently and as part of a team.
- Be committed to safeguarding and inclusion.

Dorchester Middle School is part of the Wessex Multi-Academy Trust, working collaboratively with local schools to provide high-quality education and support for all pupils.

Applications can be made or downloaded via www.jobs.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk. Individual CVs will not be accepted. You can also find further details about the school, its facilities and this position on the school website: <https://www.dorchestermid.dorset.sch.uk/>

Closing Date: Wednesday 30th September 2026

Interview Date: TBC

For more information, please contact Kelly Leeming on 01305 265651.

Dorchester Middle School and Wessex Multi-Academy Trust values the diversity of our workforce and welcomes applications from all sectors of the community.

Dorchester Middle School and Wessex Multi-Academy Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people; this is a commitment which we expect all staff and volunteers to share. The successful candidate will be required to have a Disclosure and Barring Service check in line the Governments safer recruitment guidelines.

This role is UK based and your Right to Work will need to be established as part of the appointment process.

This post This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act (ROA) 1974. The amendments to the ROA 1974 (Exceptions Order 1975, (2013 and 2020)) provide that when applying for certain jobs and activities, certain spent convictions and cautions are 'protected', so they do not need to be disclosed to employers, and if they are disclosed, employers cannot take them into account. The MOJ's guidance on the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and the Exceptions Order 1975, provides information about which convictions must be declared during job applications and related exceptions and further information about filtering offences can be found in the DBS filtering guide. Keeping Children Safe in Education.

Dorchester Middle School and Wessex Multi-Academy Trust will conduct online searches of shortlisted candidates. This check will be part of a safeguarding check, and the search will purely be based on whether an individual is suitable to work with children. All aspects of social media and internet searches will be conducted. As care must be taken to avoid unconscious bias and any risk of discrimination, a person who will not on the appointment panel will conduct the searches and will only share information if and when findings are relevant and of concern.

The salary quoted is the annual salary for the position at the time of advert. The salary will be paid in equal monthly instalments and will be adjusted at the start of employment and again if leaving part way through the school year to ensure the correct salary is received for the work completed in an academic year.