



## Ss JOHN FISHER AND THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

The department continues to be highly successful at GCSE through the recent changes to the curriculum and examinations. The department is committed to continuous improvement allowing all pupils to reach their full potential in the subject. The department places great emphasis on the quality of teaching and learning and teamwork.

Staff	Designation
Mrs H Lord	Faculty Leader
Mrs J Thomson	Acting Subject Leader
Mr Q Tahir	Teacher of Science
Mrs J Shervey	Teacher of Science
Vacancy	Teacher of Science
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Mrs J Thomas	Senior Science Technician

At Key Stage 3 science is taught to all pupils for 3 x 50min lessons per week throughout Years 7, 8 & 9. The department delivers a balanced curriculum at KS3, covering aspects of biology, chemistry and physics. There exist a number of intervention strategies in place to ensure that all pupils achieve their potential.

At KS4 the department offers a range of courses to match the needs of individual learners. Some of our most able students choose Triple Award Science as an option which they begin studying in Year 10 resulting in three GCSEs. We also offer a combined science GCSE equivalent to 2 GCSEs. Furthermore, to ensure attainment for all our pupils, an Entry Level Certificate is also available for some pupils as necessary. The department has an excellent and well-established tracking system which allows us to provide intervention and support as and when needed by pupils of all ages.

The department enjoys collaboration with a number of other departments, and also offers a number of additional activities. These include Science Club, trips to Chester Zoo and the Museum of Science and Industry as well as science competitions at both UCLAN and Manchester University. In addition we provide events for 'More Able' Year 5 and 6 pupils from our feeder primary schools.