



# ALTRINCHAM GRAMMAR SCHOOL FOR BOYS



APPOINTMENT OF  
TEACHER OF PHYSICS OR CHEMISTRY  
SEPTEMBER 2026



## **Altrincham Grammar School for Boys**

### **Information Pack for Candidates**

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This document is a prospectus designed specifically for you as a candidate, the aim being to summarise the relevant information you require to reach your decision on whether to apply for a position at our School. We hope you find this useful. Please access the School website [www.agsb.co.uk](http://www.agsb.co.uk) for further information.





## WELCOME FROM THE HEAD MASTER

I am delighted to welcome you to the recruitment area for Altrincham Grammar School for Boys, one of the top performing boys' schools in the country.

Founded in 1912, the school is rated "Outstanding" by Ofsted and secures some of the best examination results at GCSE and A Level in the country. Almost all students progress to university with many attending the best Russell Group Universities including Oxford, Cambridge and many others.

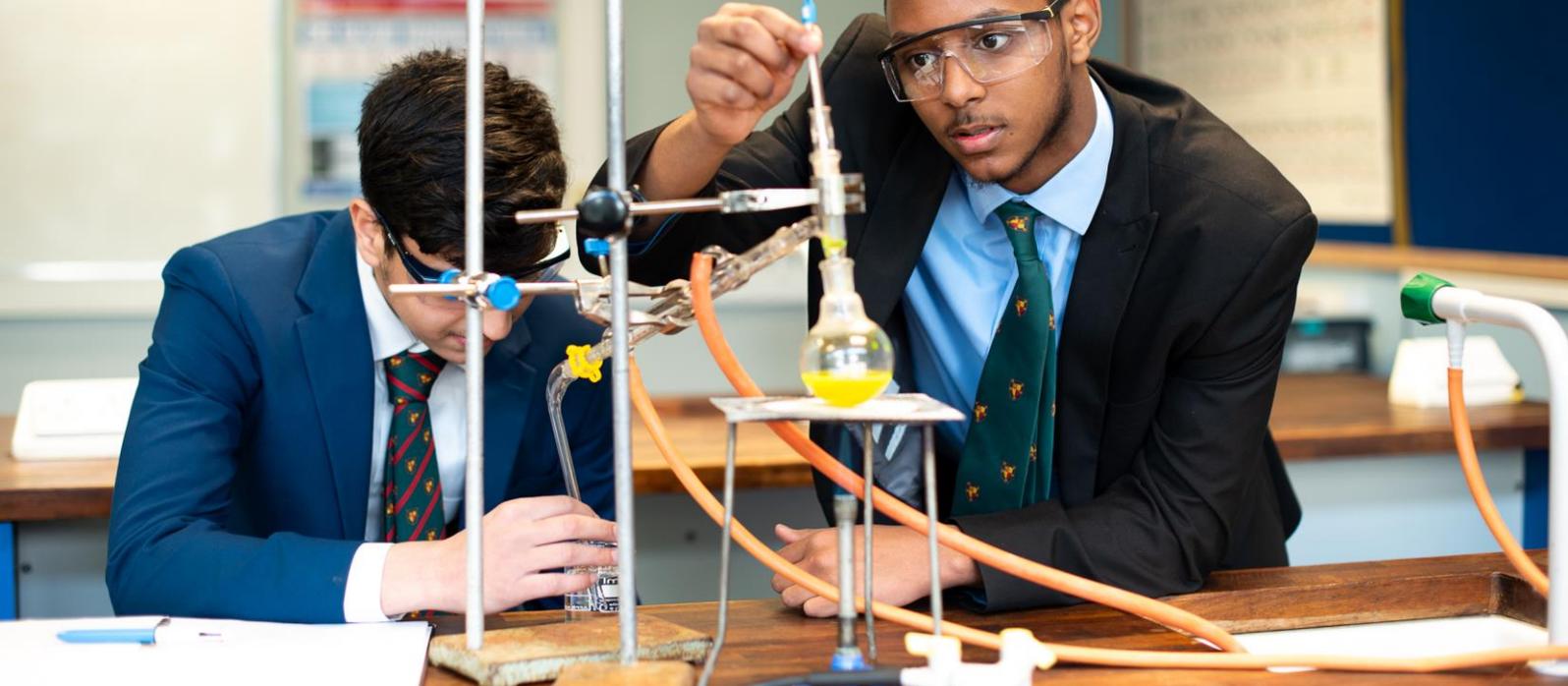
We tailor our curriculum to ensure students are nurtured as well-rounded individuals, excelling in core subjects like Mathematics, English and the Sciences but who are also deeply knowledgeable about the Arts and Humanities.

Knowledge, however, is only one component of success. At this school we aim to equip our students with the range of skills to succeed in a rapidly changing world. All students are offered a wide-ranging programme of extra-curricular activities and enrichment that hone essential character traits such as leadership, resilience, moral purpose, integrity and honesty.

AGSB is a great place to work and I look forward to receiving your application.

Yours sincerely

G.A. Wright  
Head Master



## THE SCHOOL

Altrincham Grammar School for Boys is a multi-ethnic seven-form entry 11-18 selective Academy School. It caters for boys who have been selected for a grammar school education from a wide area of South Manchester and North Cheshire. Pupils travel to the School from Wilmslow, Knutsford, Lymm, Warrington, Sale, Urmston, Old Trafford and Cheadle Hulme.

The number of boys in the School has been rising steadily in recent years as its popularity has increased. In September 2024, there were 1425 boys in the School of whom 390 are in the Sixth Form. The School is very popular with parents and in the current year received over 1,600 applications for 202 places.

The academic results are outstanding and they place the School in the top 20 maintained schools in the country. Our GCSE results are strong in respect of 9/8 grades and our A Level results in respect of A\*/A/B grades. The 2022 Ofsted Report graded the School as 'Outstanding' in all areas.

We have the highest expectations of our students, not only in their academic performance, but in their commitment to extra-curricular activities be it in sport, drama, music or wider community service.

We are a school that values diversity and individual contribution; supporting and encouraging both students and staff to pursue their interests and achieve their ambitions.

An investment of £4M in improved sports facilities has been completed and all School employees benefit from free use of the facilities.

There are exciting times ahead at AGSB. In September 2020, the School moved from six to seven-form entry. In December 2020, work was completed on a state of the art £2.8 million teaching complex which is located in the heart of the School.



## THE LOCATION

Altrincham Grammar School for Boys is situated a mile from Altrincham Town Centre within the Parish of Bowdon, and close to the surrounding parishes of Hale, Altrincham and Timperley. The surrounding area is a desirable place to live and work. The School prides itself on its excellent relationship with the local community and parents. These are important factors that have contributed to the School's success and enable pupils to reach their full potential both academically and personally.

Ten miles from Manchester City Centre and thirty miles from Liverpool and Chester, the area is served by an excellent motorway network and the Manchester Metrolink rail. Manchester International Airport is sited in the east of the School's catchment area, five miles from Altrincham town centre. Wythenshawe Teaching Hospital, a pioneer in advanced surgery, is sited just outside the catchment area to the north. The School has strong connections with Manchester University and Manchester Metropolitan University both through teacher training links and through links with academic departments.

Manchester is a cosmopolitan centre of international commerce, arts, music, theatre, opera, ballet, sports, museums and events. The Bridgewater Hall in Manchester is the home of the Hallé Orchestra, there are numerous venues for major rock concerts, and the City Centre theatres regularly host major West End productions. Old Trafford, home of Manchester United Football Club and Lancashire Cricket Club, is within easy reach of Altrincham.



## THE SCIENCE FACULTY

The Physics Department at Altrincham Grammar School for Boys is staffed by teachers with Degrees mainly in Physics and Engineering. We welcome applications from teachers who have a Science or Engineering Degree with a strong Physics element. Departmental staff are expected to combine experience with innovation, enthusiasm and dynamism when planning and delivering their lessons.

Examination results in Physics are excellent with 50% achieving Grade 9 and 89% achieving Grades 7-9 at GCSE level in 2025. We follow the AQA GCSE Physics specification and there is no setting in the Science Department. Most students study GCSE physics (triple science) with roughly 20% taking dual award science. At A Level, Physics is extremely popular with typically 140 students in the Sixth Form taking Physics at A Level. We follow the AQA A Level specification and teach Astrophysics or Engineering Physics as the optional topic. Results are outstanding with 47% achieving A\*/A and 78% achieving A\* to B in 2025.

The Physics Centre was opened in 2013 by Professor Brian Cox. It contains four large teaching labs and one smaller classroom. The Department is well equipped for a range of practical work and demonstrations and has a dedicated Physics Technician.

At present the AGSB Chemistry Department consists of 7 staff, including a dedicated Chemistry Technician, who are accommodated in five dedicated laboratories and a large central prep room/office facility shared by the Chemistry staff.

Chemistry remains the second most opted for subject at A level with over 160 students following the AQA Chemistry A level. Results are outstanding with 61% achieving A\*/A and 80% achieving A\* to B in 2025. At GCSE results are similarly impressive with 54% of results at grade 9 and 88% at grades 7-9.

Many of our students have competed in the British Physics Olympiad competition and Chemistry A level challenges as well as various other science related extra-curricular activities including the CREST awards, IRIS projects, UKSDC, AstroPi, STEM Racing (formerly F1 in schools) and EPQs. An applicant would be expected to assist the Department in supporting these activities.



## THE ROLE

### TEACHER OF PHYSICS OR CHEMISTRY

We are keen to appoint an outstanding teacher of Physics *or* Chemistry to join the Science Department from September 2026.

AGSB provides a supportive environment in which to work, and teachers are encouraged to share their practice as an important contribution to their own and others' professional development.

The successful candidate will be an enthusiastic teacher and be able to deliver all aspects of Science from Year 7 to Year 8 and Physics *or* Chemistry from Year 9 to Year 13.

This exciting post would be ideal for an Early Careers Teacher or a more experienced teacher who is looking to start or progress their career in this demanding yet rewarding School.

The right candidate should:

- Be an effective team member who is proactive, adaptable and willing to go above and beyond the call of duty in the best interest of the pupils or the Department.
- Be keen to increase and extend their experience, by accepting roles of responsibility within the Department.

# APPLICATIONS

## TEACHER OF PHYSICS OR CHEMISTRY

One of the leading Boys' Grammar Schools requires an enthusiastic and committed full-time Teacher of Physics or Chemistry to join an outstanding Faculty from September 2026 (or earlier if possible).

This exciting post would be ideal for an Early Careers Teacher or a more experienced teacher who is looking to progress their career in this demanding yet rewarding School.

The successful applicant will be teaching Physics or Chemistry to KS3, KS4 and KS5 level and will be remunerated at a level representing their qualifications, skills and experience.

To arrange a visit or for an informal chat about working at the School please contact the Head Master's PA: Mrs M Brickell (mbrickell@agsb.co.uk) or call on 0161 928 0858.

Applicants are requested to submit a completed Application Form via the TES website which should include a separate formal letter of application addressed to the Head Master.

**Closing date for applications is 8.30am on Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> March 2026.** Interviews will take place in School on **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2026.**

Further background information is available on our website – <https://www.agsb.co.uk/>.

Shortlisted candidates will be contacted with details of the interview process. If you have not heard from us within two weeks of the closing date, please assume your application has been unsuccessful.

### **Safer Recruitment**

Altrincham Grammar School for Boys is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. Applicants must be willing to go through child protection screening appropriate to the post including checks with past employers, social media checks (in line with KCSIE 2023) and the Disclosure and Barring Service.

### **Equal Opportunities**

We are an equal opportunity employer. We are also a multi-ethnic school, and we particularly welcome applications from ethnic minority candidates who are under-represented in our staff population compared to our pupil population.

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