

LOVE FOR SCIENCE

Ian Cartwright, head of science at The Chalfonts Community College, is inspiring students with his enthusiasm for the scientific world



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Ian Cartwright demonstrating an exciting experiment

At The Chalfonts Community College, we are delighted to introduce Ian Cartwright, our enthusiastic and much-valued head of science. Since joining us in September 2022, Ian has brought energy, expertise, and a real passion for inspiring young minds.

With a degree in sports science from Brunel University, Ian offers a strong foundation in science education and a deep commitment to student success.

He leads a dedicated team of expert teachers in chemistry, biology, and physics, who together bring more than 100 years of classroom experience. This dynamic group blends the wisdom of seasoned educators with the energy and innovation of early career teachers, all united by a shared passion for science and a commitment to inspiring students in the classroom.

A true believer in hands-on learning, Ian has introduced exciting initiatives like the CREST Award – a national STEM programme that encourages students to explore science through real-world projects. He also runs a lively science club, where students can get



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stuck into fun, practical experiments and develop their curiosity outside of lessons.

Support for students is at the heart of his approach. The department offers extra sessions for exam preparation, and students enjoy a range of memorable trips – from Thorpe Park to Whipsnade Zoo and the Big Bang Fair – which help to bring science to life.

Ian's dedication extends beyond the classroom. He has built strong links with Brunel and Oxford universities, giving

students first-hand insights into higher education and future careers.

He also works closely with parents, holding curriculum evenings and regularly sharing student successes, believing that strong communication is key to helping every student thrive.

Under his leadership, our science department continues to shine, with outstanding results and a growing number of students choosing to pursue science at A-level and beyond.

But most importantly, Ian creates a warm, welcoming environment where every student feels encouraged to enjoy science and reach their full potential.



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