

Girls are naturally curious - we encourage their interest through hands-on experiments in science.

We are lucky enough to be one of the very few Surrey Prep schools with a specialist science Lab - the WonderLab. It is here that Maren Kelly is most often found inspiring girls to experiment and explore and in doing so understand the world around them. Whether the girls are creating comets using dry ice and household ingredients like starch and vinegar, exploring the organs of the human body through virtual reality apps or learning about plant life cycles outdoors in our Cottage Garden; Maren Kelly encourages the girls to enquire, investigate, analyse and report their findings. She works alongside Pre-Prep Form teachers to shape the Science curriculum and learning goals.

The girls are all familiar with her mantras 'Why?' and 'Where is your evidence?' and enjoy practical experiments tailored to their age to develop their curiosity and love of science. Embedding this interest at an early age is critical- girls who've been taught by Maren Kelly in Prep School have gone on to study Medicine at King's (Natasha), Natural Sciences at Durham (Scarlett) and Computer Science at Southampton (Louisa). Early inspiration counts!

St Catherine's was awarded the Primary Science Quality Mark in 2022, recognising excellence in science teaching.

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Maren Kelly completed her BAHons in Primary School Education at the Martin Luther Universitaet Halle in Wittenberg. This was followed by a PGCE at Brunel and an MA in Primary and Early Childhood Studies at Roehampton. Joining in 2009, Maren has over 25 years of experience of teaching girls and leads our Science Curriculum.



Image:
Exploring the human body.



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