

CURRICULUM PLAN  
2022-23

YEAR 7	AUTUMN 1	AUTUMN 2	SPRING 1	SPRING 2	SUMMER 1	SUMMER 2
BIG IDEAS	Introductory Unit, Matter 1, Organisms 1	Energy 1, Organisms 2	Reactions 1, Electricity 1	Reactions 2, Organisms 3	Matter 2, Forces 1	Organisms 4, Waves 1
<b>Knowledge</b>	Health & Safety, Equipment and Measuring, Structure of animal and plant cells, bacteria and unicellular organisms. Differences between atoms, elements and compounds, chemical symbols and formulae for elements and compounds, conservation of mass, changes of state and chemical reactions.	Energy in Matter, Physical changes, Energy transfers, Diffusion of substances into cells	States of matter, particle kinetics, gas pressure, viscosity, Static and current electricity.	Chemical reactions, Combustion, Thermal Decomposition, Exo/Endothermic, Chemical Formulae, Chemical equations, Structure and function of major body systems.	The concept of a pure substance and separation techniques, Gravily and Space, Seasons and days	Sound waves, Structure of flowers, plant reproduction and dispersal of seeds, structure and function of human reproductive system, puberty/pregnancy and birth.
<b>Skills</b>	Recognise hazards and risks when prompted, Identify and use the most common laboratory equipment. Draw a bar chart, calculate a mean, identify one or more control variables and significant other variables. Identify the hypothesis in an investigation from provided sources.	Plot 2 variables from scientific data, use expressions in decimal form, substitute numerical values into algebraic equations.	Select appropriate apparatus from those provided and use with guidance. Using magnification and scale via microscopy. Making accurate measurements. Calculating percentages.	Relates structure to function, Writing chemical formulae, equations. Suggests significant variables in an investigation. Constructing and interpreting tables and diagrams.	Make some accurate observations or whole number measurements to questions and ideas under investigation. Plotting 2 variables from experimental data. Translating information between graphical and numerical form. Constructing bar charts of gestation in different animals.	Suggest improvements to working methods, Selecting the most appropriate apparatus and method to separate a substance.
<b>Key Vocab</b>	Hazard, Risk, Variables, Nucleus, chloroplast, cytoplasm, cell membrane, cell wall, mitochondria, ribosomes, vacuole.	Particle, atom, solid, liquid, gas, freezing, melting, boiling, condensing, evaporating, diffusion, diaphragm	Solid, Liquid, Gas, Kinetic, Viscosity, Charge, Current, Attract, Parallel, Series, Resistance	Desophagus, stomach, intestine, rectum, oesophagus, heart, lungs, aorta, blood vessels, Combustion, Thermal decomposition, Exothermic, Endothermic	Pure, Impure, compound, separation, filtering, evaporating, chromatography, distillation, Mass, weight, gravity, stars, orbits, galaxy	Stigma, style, stamen, anther, carpel, penis, testicles, glands, ovary, oviduct, uterus, vagina, sperm, fertilisation, gestation, umbilical cord, Frequency, amplitude, wavelength, transverse wave, longitudinal wave.

KS3 and 4 Knowledge and Use Skills

KS5 Knowledge and Use Skills

YEAR 8	AUTUMN 1	AUTUMN 2	SPRING 1	SPRING 2	SUMMER 1	SUMMER 2
TOPIC	Introduction- Safety review, Careers in Science, Acids and Alkalis, Ecosystems	Balanced and Unbalanced Forces, Healthy Living, Sound, Chemical reactions	Variation, Motion, Energy transfer	Energy in reactions, Pressure, Rocks, Photosynthesis/Respiration	Light, Evolution	Earth atmosphere, Adaptations
<b>Knowledge</b>	Ecosystems, habitats, food security and interdependence. Uses of acids and alkalis, Neutralisation.	Balanced and unbalanced forces, Hooke's Law, A healthy diet, growth of bacteria, Examples of viruses (Covid), Drugs and their effects, Balanced equations, conservation of mass, combustion, endothermic and exothermic reactions. The properties of sound, pitch, amplitude, wavelength, frequency, use of wave equation, the ear.	Energy transfers in systems, Input/output energy, Calculations of speed, distance, time, acceleration, terminal velocity, Sankey diagrams, calculating efficiency, Energy resources and generating electricity.	Pressure calculations, examples of sedimentary, metamorphic and igneous rocks and how they are formed, rock cycle, Photosynthesis equations, Starch testing of leaves, structure and function of leaves.	Light and vision, the refraction of light, colour, Natural selection, extinction and the importance of biodiversity.	Importance of minerals to plants, carbon cycle and human effects, global warming, Biotic and abiotic factors, plant and animal adaptations.
<b>Skills</b>	Making and recording observations, Making links between units, Translating information between graphical and numerical form, Understanding simple probability, Construct bar charts and line graphs for appropriate data.	Recognise dependent and independent variables, Use appropriate apparatus and materials during lab work, Make and record observations, Change the subject of an equation and calculating means, Identify risks, Constructing tables.	Identifying risks and suggesting improvements to working methods giving reasons, Selecting the most suitable variables to investigate, Constructing and interpreting tables and plotting 2 variables from experimental data.	Interpreting flow charts and diagrams, Substituting into equations and changing the subject of an equation, Formulating experimental observations, and measurements using a range of different methods, dealing with microscopes.	Changing the subject of an equation, using units appropriately, plotting graphs from experimental data, suggesting improvements to experiments, taking accurate measurements.	Selecting appropriate independent, dependent and control variables, analysing and evaluating results, Forming a hypothesis and discussion around environmental issues and offering opinions.
<b>Key Vocab</b>	Habitat, population, food chain, food web, predator, prey, acidic, alkaline, indicator, base, neutralisation, salt	Nutrients, carbohydrates, proteins, waves, frequency, wavelength, Balanced unbalanced thrust, upthrust, springs, Newtons, kilograms, gravity	Variation, characteristics, continuous, discontinuous, evolution, natural selection, Velocity, acceleration, input, output, electrical.	Sedimentary, metamorphic, igneous, porous, cycle, carbon dioxide, light, oxygen, glucose, pallidate, spongy, mesophyll, stomata, exothermic, endothermic	Waves, reflection, refraction, evolution, natural selection, survival of the fittest	Light intensity, control variable, negative correlation, carbon cycle, respiration, photosynthesis, combustion, decomposition, climate change, global warming, The principles of sampling as applied to scientific data.

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YEAR 9	AUTUMN 1	AUTUMN 2	SPRING 1	SPRING 2	SUMMER 1	SUMMER 2
Chemistry TOPIC	Atomic structure, cells	Chemical Changes	History of the atom/ their periodic table	Energy changes	Revision	Electrolysis
<b>Knowledge</b>	Atomic structure - atoms, electrons, compounds and mixtures The development of the model of the atom - plum pudding and nuclear model Relative electrical charges of subatomic particles, size and mass of atoms Relative atomic mass and isotopes Electronic structure	Metals react with oxygen to produce metal oxides Neutralisation reactions. Knowledge and understanding are linked to the reduction of oxides using carbon	The development of the model of the atom - plum pudding and nuclear model Reactivity of the different groups of their periodic table	When reactions occur energy transfer can be exothermic or endothermic. Understand the difference between endothermic and exothermic. Reaction profiles. The energy change of reactions	Review work completed in KS3	Electrolysis of molten aluminium electrolysis/ electrolysis of solutions, electrode reactions
<b>Skills</b>	Safe use of a range of equipment to separate chemical mixtures Use SI units and the prefix ratio Represent the electronic structures of the first twenty elements	Use these to identify where reduction and oxidation has taken place. Describe how carbon is used to reduce metal oxides. Explain how this takes place in terms of movement of electrons. Write balanced symbol equation/half equations for the displacement of metal oxides	Safe use of a range of equipment to separate chemical mixtures Use SI units and the prefix ratio Represent the electronic structures of the first twenty elements	Draw reaction profiles. Investigate energy change of a reaction via practical work.		predict products of electrolysis/ complete half equations of electrolysis cell
<b>Key Vocab</b>	Element, mixture, compound, atom, molecule, proton, neutron, electron, isotope	Oxidation/ oxides/ reduction/ electron/ half equation/ OIL RIG	Element, mixture, compound, atom, molecule, proton, neutron, electron, isotope	Exothermic/ endothermic/ energy change/ reaction profile		Electrolysis/ electrolyte/ electrodes/ cell/ molten/ ionic/ concentration/ relative molecular mass

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Biology	Cell structure	cell structure & function	cell transport	Hygiene & pathogens	Pathogens and the immune system	Medicine
<b>Knowledge</b>	Cell organelles, difference between plant and animal cells, Microscopy, Specialised cells.	Eukaryotic and prokaryotic cells, stem cells, cell cycle, chromosomes	Diffusion, diffusion investigation, osmosis & osmosis investigation	How diseases are spread, Hygiene, How pathogens make us feel ill, Different types of pathogen.	Bacterial diseases, viral diseases, fungal infections, malaria. The immune response, vaccinations	Antibiotics, how we find new medicine. How we test new medicine for safety
<b>Skills</b>	Focusing a microscope, production of a specimen of cells. Writing a method, Microscopy calculations	Recognising differences in eukaryotic and prokaryotic cells. Describing the stages of the cell cycle.	Writing an analysis, analysing results, Describing diffusion & osmosis	Explain how to prevent disease. Explain how different pathogens make us feel ill.	Know the cause, prevention and cure for bacterial, viral, fungal and malarial diseases	Explain how clinical trials test new medicine. Describe how new medicines have been discovered
<b>Key Vocab</b>	nucleus, cytoplasm, ribosome, mitochondria	Eukaryotic, prokaryotic, chromosome, mitosis	Diffusion, selectively permeable membranes, osmosis	Pathogen, toxin, hygiene	bacteria, virus, white blood cell, pretest,	Penicillin, clinical trial, placebo

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Physics	Particle model of matter	Particle model of matter	Atomic structure Atoms and nuclear radiation	Atoms and nuclear radiation	Energy	Energy
<b>Knowledge</b>	Density of Material. Investigate the densities of regular and irregular solid objects required practical Particle model of matter Changes of state Specific heat capacity Calculating the specific heat capacity of certain metals required practical	Changes of heat and specific latent heat Internal energy Particle motion of gases Pressure, temperature and volume	The structure of an atom Mass number, atomic number and isotopes The development of the model of the atom Radioactive decay and nuclear radiation Background radiation and penetrating power Nuclear equations	Radioactive half-life Nuclear and uses of radiation Contamination and irradiation Nuclear fission Nuclear fusion	Stores of energy, Potential energy Kinetic energy Work done Energy transfer Understanding power Energy efficiency and dissipation of energy	Revision End of year review Specific heat capacity Investigating insulation required practical Energy resources and supplies
<b>Skills</b>	Use measurements to determine the density of solid objects and liquids. Use measurements to determine the density of solid objects and liquids	Perform an experiment to measure the latent heat of fusion of water. To calculate the energy change involved when the temperature of a material changes Use appropriate apparatus to make and record measurements of mass, time and temperature accurately Use in a safe manner appropriate apparatus to measure energy change/ transfers	Recognise expressions given in standard form Use prefixes and powers of ten for orders of magnitude (eg tera, giga, mega, kilo, centi, milli, micro and nano) To show an understanding of why and describe how scientific methods and theories develop over time	To show an understanding of why and describe how scientific methods and theories develop over time	Recall and apply the Physics equations Investigate the transfer of energy from a gravitational potential energy store to a kinetic energy store	Recall and apply the Physics equations
<b>Key Vocab</b>	Density, mass, Volume, Specific heat capacity	Internal energy, specific latent heat, specific latent heat of fusion, specific latent heat of vaporisation, pressure, melt, freeze, boil, evaporate, condense, sublimates	Atom, nucleus, proton, neutron, electrons, mass number, atomic number, isotopes, radioactive decay, activity, alpha particle, beta particle, gamma ray	half life, contamination, irradiation, nuclear fission	Work done, kinetic energy, elastic potential energy, spring constant, extension, gravitational potential energy, gravitational field strength, power	Energy stores and systems, work done, insulation, Thermal Conductivity