# **Curriculum Intent Framework**



| Subject:                  | Science   |
|---------------------------|---|
| <b>Curriculum Vision:</b> | We seek to encourage students to have a sense of curiosity and wonder at the complexity of the world    |
|                           | around them. As Einstein famously said, "the important thing is never to stop questioning." Our Science |
|                           | curriculum helps students to learn to see the world analytically through the acquisition of knowledge,  |
|                           | development of scientific skills and the recognition that problems can be solved.                       |

#### **Core Subject Values:**

| Dignity and<br>Respect             | Scientific ideas are discussed openly so that students feel valued. Our positive learning environments ensure that students have the self-belief and confidence to discuss modern issues whilst showing respect to others. We strive to instill an understanding that spiritual beliefs do not have to conflict with Scientific ideas.  |
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| Wisdom,<br>Knowledge and<br>Skills | Our curriculum provides learners with the knowledge and practice to ensure a solid foundation in scientific thinking. Robust recall processes during taught lessons, alongside state-of-the-art online learning platforms for use outside of the classroom ensure students learn and develop key skills. Opportunities are given to develop conversation around the big questions that naturally occur from Scientific enquiry. |
| Hope and<br>Aspiration             | Students are inspired by interactive lessons which include elements of linking their learning to possible careers. We set high expectations for all students and encourage self-improvement and independent learning in parallel to structured debate where students are given the tools which will allow reasoned argument within civil discourse.   |
| Extra-curricular<br>Provision      | Students participate in different extra-curricular opportunities helping our young learners investigate their relationship with the world around them. We participate in events such as: STEM projects, Unilever's Bright Future Inspire Programme, GCSE competitions such as the National Scientific Thinking Challenge, Sixth form young analyst competition and other events.  |

# **KS3 Science Map**

|   | Autumn 1   | Autumn 2   | Spring 1  | Spring 2   | Summer 1   | Summer 2  |
|---|--|--|---|--|--|---|
| Year 7 –<br>taught<br>sequentially<br>across<br>teacher split | X1,X3b,Y2,Y3a: Biology: Cells and movement Chemistry: Particle model  X2,X3a,Y1,Y3b: Biology: Movement and cells Physics: Speed                    | X1,X3b,Y2,Y3a: Chemistry: Mixtures Physics: Speed and gravity Biology: Variation X2,X3a,Y1,Y3b: Physics: Gravity Chemistry: Particle model and mixtures Biology: Variation                         | X1,X3b,Y2,Y3a: Biology: Human Reproduction Physics: Voltage and Static electricity X2,X3a,Y1,Y3b: Biology: Human Reproduction Chemistry: Earth structure and universe     | X1,X3b,Y2,Y3a: Physics: Voltage and Static electricity X2,X3a,Y1,Y3b: Chemistry: Earth structure and universe  | X1,X3b,Y2,Y3a: Physics: Sound X2,X3a,Y1,Y3b: Chemistry: Metals  Both year halves: 1 week revision EOY assessment | X1,X3b,Y2,Y3a: Physics: Light Chemistry: Metals and acids  X2,X3a,Y1,Y3b: Chemistry: Acids Physics: Sound and light  Working scientifically: Scientific skills developed. Focused practical work used to prepare pupils for year 8.                               |
| Year 8 –<br>taught<br>sequentially<br>across<br>teacher split | X1,X3b,Y2,Y3a: Biology: Breathing and digestion Chemistry: Periodic table X2,X3a,Y1,Y3b: Chemistry: Periodic table and elements Biology: Breathing | X1,X3b,Y2,Y3a: Chemistry: Elements Physics: Energy costs and energy transfers Chemistry: Climate  X2,X3a,Y1,Y3b: Biology: Digestion Chemistry: Climate and Earth's resources Physics: Energy costs | X1,X3b,Y2,Y3a: Chemistry: Earths resources Physics: Contact forces and pressure  X2,X3a,Y1,Y3b: Physics: Energy transfers Biology: Interdependence and plant reproduction | X1,X3b,Y2,Y3a: Biology: Interdependence and plant reproduction  X2,X3a,Y1,Y3b: Physics: Contact forces and pressure                                  | Both halves Physics: Work and heating Review of year 7 and 8 topics ready for EOY assessment                     | End of year assessments Review of end of year assessments  Both year halves: Biology: Respiration and photosynthesis  Working scientifically: Scientific skills developed. Focused practical work used to prepare pupils for year 9. Buzz of learning activities. |
| Year 9 –<br>taught in<br>subject<br>specialist<br>groups      | Biology: Evolution Chemistry: Chemical energy Physics: Work and heating  | Structured revision for intern Followed by: Biology: Inheritance Chemistry: Types of reaction Physics: Wave properties   | al exams  | End of KS3 assessments  Review of end of year assessments  Key gaps/misconceptions addressed in preparation for KS4  Starting KS4 transition content | Starting KS4 transition conte<br>Biology: Cell biology<br>Chemistry: Atomic structure<br>Physics: Energy         |   |

#### **KS4 Science Combined Science**

|         | Autumn 1                 | Autumn 2                    | Spring 1                        | Spring 2                  | Summer 1                          | Summer 2                         |
|---------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Year 10 | Biology:<br>Organisation | Biology:<br>Organisation    | Biology: Infection and response | Biology:<br>Bioenergetics | Biology: Bioenergetics<br>Ecology | Consolidation of paper 1 content |
|         | Organisation             | Infection and               | and response                    | bioenergetics             | Ecology                           | Content                          |
|         |                          | response                    |                                 |                           |                                   | Revision and                     |
|         |                          |                             |                                 |                           |                                   | misconceptions addressed         |
|         | Chemistry:               | Chemistry:                  | Chemistry:                      | Chemistry: Chemical       |                                   |                                  |
|         | Chemical analysis        | Structure and               | Quantitative                    | changes                   | Chemistry: Energy                 | EOY exam                         |
|         | Structure and bonding    | bonding                     | chemistry                       |                           | changes                           |                                  |
|         | Physics: Electricity     | Physics: Electricity        | Physics: Particle               | Physics: Atomic           | Physics: Waves                    |                                  |
|         |                          |                             | model                           | structure                 |                                   |                                  |
| Year 11 |                          | Internal PPE exams          |                                 | Internal PPE exams        | GCSE Examinations and             | GCSE Examinations and            |
|         |                          | for all students            |                                 | for all students          | Preparation                       | Preparation                      |
|         | Biology: Ecology         | Biology:                    | Biology:                        | Consolidation of          |                                   |                                  |
|         | Homeostasis              | Homeostasis and inheritance | Inheritance                     | paper 2 content           |                                   |                                  |
|         |                          |                             | Chemistry:                      | Revision and              |                                   |                                  |
|         | Chemistry: Rates         | Chemistry:                  | Atmosphere and                  | misconceptions            |                                   |                                  |
|         | and organic<br>chemistry | Chemical analysis           | resources                       | addressed                 |                                   |                                  |
|         | Physics: Forces          | Physics: Forces             | Physics:                        |                           |                                   |                                  |
|         |                          |                             | Magnetism                       |                           |                                   |                                  |

## **KS4 Science Separate Science**

|         | Autumn 1             | Autumn 2             | Spring 1          | Spring 2           | Summer 1              | Summer 2                 |
|---------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Year 10 | Biology:             | Biology:             | Biology:          | Biology:           | Biology:              | Consolidation of paper 1 |
|         | Organisation         | Infection and        | Bioenergetics     | Consolidation of   | Ecology               | content                  |
|         |                      | response             |                   | paper 1 content    |                       |                          |
|         |                      |                      |                   | Ecology            |                       | Revision and             |
|         |                      |                      |                   |                    |                       | misconceptions addressed |
|         | Chemistry:           | Chemistry:           | Chemistry:        | Chemistry: Energy  | Chemistry: Rates      |                          |
|         | Structure and        | Quantitative         | Chemical changes  | changes            |                       | EOY exam                 |
|         | bonding              | chemistry            |                   | Consolidation of   |                       |                          |
|         |                      |                      |                   | paper 1 content    |                       |                          |
|         |                      |                      | Physics: Particle |                    |                       |                          |
|         | Physics: Electricity | Physics: Electricity | model             | Physics: Atomic    | Physics: Waves        | Physics: Space self-     |
|         |                      |                      |                   | structure          |                       | learning project         |
|         |                      |                      |                   |                    |                       |                          |
| Year 11 |                      | Internal PPE exams   |                   | Internal PPE exams | GCSE Examinations and | GCSE Examinations and    |
|         |                      | for all students     |                   | for all students   | Preparation           | Preparation              |
|         |                      |                      |                   |                    |                       |                          |
|         | Biology:             | Biology:             | Biology:          | Consolidation of   |                       |                          |
|         | Homeostasis          | Homeostasis and      | Inheritance       | paper 2 content    |                       |                          |
|         |                      | inheritance          |                   |                    |                       |                          |
|         |                      |                      |                   | Revision and       |                       |                          |
|         | Chemistry: Organic   | Chemistry:           | Chemistry:        | misconceptions     |                       |                          |
|         | chemistry            | Chemical analysis    | Atmosphere and    | addressed          |                       |                          |
|         |                      |                      | resources         |                    |                       |                          |
|         |                      |                      |                   |                    |                       |                          |
|         | Physics: Forces      | Physics: Forces      | Physics:          |                    |                       |                          |
|         |                      |                      | Magnetism and     |                    |                       |                          |
|         |                      |                      | Space             |                    |                       |                          |

# **KS5 Biology**

|         | Autumn 1  | Autumn 2  | Spring 1  | Spring 2  | Summer 1   | Summer 2                            |
|---------|---|---|---|---|--|-------------------------------------|
| Year 12 | Teacher 1: Topic 1 Biological                               | Teacher 1: Topic 1 Biological                               | Teacher 1: Topic 4 Exchange and   | Teacher 1: Topic 4 Exchange and                             | Consolidation of AS<br>Biology.                            | Teacher 1: Topic 6 Microbiology and |
|         | Molecules 1.1-1.4   | Molecules 1.4-1.6   | transport 4.1-4.3   | transport 4.4-4.5   | Diology.   | Pathogens                           |
|         | Teacher 2: Topic 2:<br>Cells and Viruses<br>2.1-2.2         | Teacher 2: Topic 2:<br>Cells and Viruses<br>2.3-2.5         | Teacher 2: Topic 3: Classification 3.1-3.3  | Teacher 2: Core<br>Practicals                               | Review of CPACs and preparation for end of year assessment | Teacher 2: Topic 10<br>Ecosystems   |
| Year 13 | Teacher 1: Topic 6<br>Microbiology and<br>Pathogens 6.1-6.2 | Teacher 1: Topic 7<br>Modern Genetics                       | Teacher 1: Topic<br>8 Origins of<br>Genetic Variation                               | Teacher 1: Topic 8<br>Origins of Genetic<br>Variation       | A-level Examinations and Preparation                       |                                     |
|         | Teacher 2: Topic 10<br>Ecosystems                           | Teacher 2: Topic 5<br>Energy for<br>Biological<br>Processes | Teacher 2: Topic 9 Chemical control in mammals and plants/ mammalian Nervous system | Teacher 2: Topic 9 Mammalian nervous system and Homeostasis |  |                                     |

### **KS5 Chemistry**

|         | Autumn 1            | Autumn 2                   | Spring 1         | Spring 2                     | Summer 1                             | Summer 2                    |
|---------|---------------------|----------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Year 12 | Teacher 1: Atomic   | Teacher 1: Amount          | Teacher 1:       | Teacher 1: Redox             | Teacher 1: Redox                     | Consolidation of AS         |
|         | Structure           | of substance<br>Energetics | Equilibria       | Periodicity                  | Periodicity                          | Chemistry.                  |
|         |                     |                            |                  |                              |                                      | Review of CPACs and         |
|         | Teacher 2: Bonding  | Teacher 2:                 | Teacher 2:       | Teacher 2:                   | Teacher 2:                           | preparation for end of year |
|         |                     | Kinetics                   | Alkanes          | Alkenes                      | Mass Spec and IR                     | assessment                  |
|         |                     | Introduction to organic    | Halogenoalkanes  | Alcohols                     |                                      |                             |
| Year 13 | Teacher 1: Rates of | Teacher 1:                 | Teacher 1: Acids | Teacher 1: Reactions         | A-level Examinations and Preparation |                             |
|         | reaction            | Thermodynamics             | and bases        | of ions in aqueous solutions |                                      |                             |
|         |                     |                            |                  |                              |                                      |                             |
|         | Teacher 2:          | Teacher 2:                 | Teacher 2:       | Teacher 2: Transition        |                                      |                             |
|         | Isomerism and       | Carboxylic acids           | Nitrogen         | metals                       |                                      |                             |
|         | aldehydes and       | and aromatic               | chemistry        |                              |                                      |                             |
|         | ketones             | chemistry                  | (amines,         |                              |                                      |                             |
|         |                     | Nitrogen chemistry         | polymers)        |                              |                                      |                             |
|         |                     | (amines, polymers)         | NMR              |                              |                                      |                             |
|         |                     |                            | Electrochemical  |                              |                                      |                             |
|         |                     |                            | cells            |                              |                                      |                             |

# **KS5 Physics**

|         | Autumn 1   | Autumn 2   | Spring 1   | Spring 2  | Summer 1                                     | Summer 2   |
|---------|--|--|--|---|--|--|
| Year 12 | Both: Measurements and their errors  Teacher 1: Wave phenomena  Teacher 2: Particles and radiation | Teacher 1: Wave phenomena  Teacher 2: Particles and radiation                                  | Teacher 1:<br>Electricity  Teacher 2:<br>Mechanics                   | Teacher 1:<br>Electricity  Teacher 2: Mechanics   | Teacher 1: Electricity  Teacher 2: Materials | Teacher 1: Thermal Physics  Teacher 2: Further mechanics |
| Year 13 | Teacher 1: Further mechanics  Teacher 2: Thermal Physics / Fields and their consequences           | Teacher 1: Nuclear<br>Physics/<br>Astrophysics  Teacher 2: Fields<br>and their<br>consequences | Teacher 1:<br>Astrophysics  Teacher 2: Fields and their consequences | <ul> <li>A-level Examinations and Preparation</li> <li>In depth PPE review</li> <li>Exampla answers using printed past papers</li> <li>Review of required practical work and measuring techniques</li> <li>Focused work on uncertainty as a key aspect of revision</li> </ul> |  | neasuring techniques                                     |