

**Year 10-11 Separate Science Curriculum Map  
and  
Skills Descriptors  
Science**

Practical Skills

Mathematical application

Literacy

Apparatus

Scientific Techniques

Science Capital

Year/Term	Unit of Work	CORE KNOWLEDGE	Link to KS3	KEY SKILLS
10 Autumn Biology	4. 1 Cell Biology recap	· Basic cell recap and mitosis · Binary fission and culturing microorganisms · RP 1- Microscopy · RP 2- Effects of antibiotics on bacteria (can be covered with infection and response)		Practical Skills Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
10 Autumn Biology	4. 1 Cell Biology (Transport)	· Diffusion · Osmosis and RP 3 (Osmosis) · Active transport		Practical Skills Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
10 Autumn Biology	4.3 Infection and response	● Communicable diseases ● Viral/bacteria/fungi/protist disease ● Preventing disease and non-specific defence (skin, nose, trachea, stomach) ● White blood cells and immune response ● Vaccinations ● Antibiotics and painkillers ● Drug development ● HT Monoclonal antibodies: production and uses ● Plant diseases		Practical Skills Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
10 Autumn Biology	4.4 Bioenergetics	● Photosynthesis ● Rate of photosynthesis and limiting factors (HT inverse square law of light) RP 6 ● Uses of glucose ● Respiration- Aerobic and anaerobic ● Response to exercise ● Metabolism		Practical Skills Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
10 Autumn Physics	4.2 Electricity	· Current and circuit symbols. · Charge and current ( $Q=It$ ) · Current, resistance and potential difference ( $V=IR$ ) (RP 3) · Resistors (RP4) · Series circuits · Parallel circuits · Domestic electricity · Power ( $P=VI$ , $P=I^2R$ ) · Energy transfers ( $E=Pt$ , $E=QV$ ) · National grid · Static charge · Electric fields		Practical Skills Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital

**ASSESSMENT 1:**

10 Autumn Chemistry	4.4 Chemical changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Metal oxides · Reactivity series · Extraction of metals/reduction (HT REDOX and ionic equations) · Acids and bases and the pH scale · Strong and weak acids</li> <li>· Reactions of acids · Neutralisation · Making soluble salts (RP 1) · Neutralisation and titrations (RP 2) · Electrolysis · Electrolysis and extracting metals · Electrolysis and aqueous solutions (RP 3) (HT half equations)</li> </ul>		<b>Practical Skills</b> <b>Mathematical application</b> <b>Literacy</b> <b>Apparatus</b> <b>Scientific Techniques</b> <b>Science Capital</b>
10 Autumn Physics	4.3 Particle model of matter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Density (<math>\rho = m/V</math>) (RP 5) · States of matter and changes of state · Internal energy · Specific heat capacity · Specific latent heat · Particle motion in gases · Pressure in gases and increasing pressure</li> </ul>		<b>Practical Skills</b> <b>Mathematical application</b> <b>Literacy</b> <b>Apparatus</b> <b>Scientific Techniques</b> <b>Science Capital</b>
10 Autumn Chemistry	4.4 Atomic structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Atomic structure, mass number and atomic number. • Isotopes • Development of the atom (plum pudding etc) • Radiation and typed of decay Nuclear equations • Half-life and random decay • Radioactive contamination • Background radiation • Different half-lives of radioactive isotopes • Uses of nuclear radiation • Nuclear fission • Nuclear fusion</li> </ul>		<b>Practical Skills</b> <b>Mathematical application</b> <b>Literacy</b> <b>Apparatus</b> <b>Scientific Techniques</b> <b>Science Capital</b>
<b>ASSESSMENT 2:</b>				
10 Spring Physics	4.5 Energy changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Energy changes and examples (RP4) · Reaction profiles (HT Energy change of reactions) • HT Energy change of reactions • Cells and batteries • Fuel cells</li> </ul>		<b>Practical Skills</b> <b>Mathematical application</b> <b>Literacy</b> <b>Apparatus</b> <b>Scientific Techniques</b> <b>Science Capital</b>
10 Spring term	Exam practice	Exam question practice Skills focus: 6 marker questions Data questions Calculation/equation questions		<b>Practical Skills</b> <b>Mathematical application</b> <b>Literacy</b> <b>Apparatus</b> <b>Scientific Techniques</b> <b>Science Capital</b>

10 Spring Chemistry	4.6 Rate and extent of change (rate of reactions)	· Rate of reactions · Factors affecting rate of reactions · Concentration and rate of reaction (RP5) · Measuring rate of reactions · Activation energy and catalysts · Reversible reactions · Le Chatelier's Principle · Factors affecting equilibrium		<b>Practical Skills</b> Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
10 Spring Chemistry	4.5 Forces	· Scalar and vectors · Contact and non-contact forces · Weight/mass/gravity Resultant forces and work done · Calculating forces · Elasticity · Investigating springs (RP 6) · Moments levers and gears		<b>Practical Skills</b> Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
10 Spring Exam techniques	Exam techniques	Walking/talking mocks Required practical time (any missed in paper 1 from previous year)		<b>Practical Skills</b> Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
<b>ASSESSMET 3:</b>				
10 Spring Physics	6.5 Forces	· Scalar and vectors · Contact and non-contact forces · Weight/mass/gravity Resultant forces and work done · Calculating forces · Elasticity · Investigating springs (RP 18) · Distance and displacement · Acceleration · Investigating acceleration (RP19) · Distance/time and vel/time		<b>Practical Skills</b> Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
10 Spring Chemistry	5.6 Rate and extent of change (rate of reactions)	5.6 Rate and extent of change (rate of reactions) · Rate of reactions · Factors affecting rate of reactions · Concentration and rate of reaction (RP11) · Measuring rate of reactions · Activation energy and catalysts · Reversible reactions · Le Chatelier's Principle · Factors affecting equilibrium		<b>Practical Skills</b> Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
<b>ASSESSMENT 4:</b>				

10 Summer Physics	6.5 Forces	· Pressure in fluids · Atmospheric pressure · Distance and displacement · Acceleration · Investigating acceleration (RP 7) · Distance/time and vel/time · Terminal Velocity · Newton's first and second laws · Inertia · Newton's third law and breaking distance · Momentum (HT) · Changes in momentum and calculations		<b>Practical Skills</b> <b>Mathematical application</b> <b>Literacy</b> <b>Apparatus</b> <b>Scientific Techniques</b> <b>Science Capital</b>
10 Summer Chemistry	4.7 Organic Chemistry	· Hydrocarbons · Fractional distillation and Crude oil · Uses and cracking of crude oil · Structure and reactions of alkenes · Alcohols and Carboxylic acids · Addition polymerisation · Condensation polymerisation · Amino acids · DNA and naturally occurring polymers		<b>Practical Skills</b> <b>Mathematical application</b> <b>Apparatus</b> <b>Scientific Techniques</b> <b>Science Capital</b>
10 Summer Chemistry	4.8 Chemical analysis	· Purity and formulations · Paper chromatography · Chromatography experiment (RP6) · Test for gases		<b>Practical Skills</b> <b>Mathematical application</b> <b>Literacy</b> <b>Apparatus</b> <b>Scientific Techniques</b> <b>Science Capital</b>
<b>ASSESSMENT 5:</b>				
10 Summer Biology	4.5 Homeostasis and response	· Homeostasis · Central Nervous system · The brain · The eye · Reaction time (RP7) · Temperature control · Endocrine system · Blood glucose · Water and nitrogen · Hormones in human reproduction · Contraception · Hormones and infertility · Negative feedback		<b>Practical Skills</b> <b>Mathematical application</b> <b>Literacy</b> <b>Apparatus</b> <b>Scientific Techniques</b> <b>Science Capital</b>
10 Summer Chemistry	4.8 Chemical analysis	· Flame tests · Metal hydroxides · Carbonates · Halides · Sulphates · Identifying ions (RP7) · Instrumental methods · Flame emission spectroscopy		<b>Practical Skills</b> <b>Mathematical application</b> <b>Literacy</b> <b>Apparatus</b> <b>Scientific Techniques</b> <b>Science Capital</b>

10 Summer Physics	4.6 Waves	· Wave and wave properties · RP8 Ripple tank · Reflection and RP9 · Sound waves · Detection and exploration · Electromagnetic waves · Properties and uses of EM waves		<b>Practical Skills</b> <b>Mathematical application</b> <b>Literacy</b> <b>Apparatus</b> <b>Scientific Techniques</b> <b>Science Capital</b>
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**ASSESSMENT 6**  
**END OF YEAR ASSESSMENT:**

Year/Term	Unit of Work	CORE KNOWLEDGE	Link to KS2	KEY SKILLS
11 Autumn Biology	4.6 Inheritance	· Sexual and asexual reproduction · Adv and disadv of sexual and asexual · Meiosis · DNA, DNA structure and genome · Genetic inheritance and punnet squares incl. sex determination · Polydactyly and cystic fibrosis and embryonic screening · Variation · Selective breeding ·		<b>Practical Skills</b> <b>Mathematical application</b> <b>Literacy</b> <b>Apparatus</b> <b>Scientific Techniques</b>

		Genetic engineering · Cloning · Theory of evolution (Darwin vs Lamarck) and natural selection and evidence · Speciation · Understanding genetics · Fossils and extinction · Resistant bacteria · Classification		Science Capital
11 Autumn Physics	4.5 Forces	(finishing off from last year if incomplete) · Distance and displacement · Acceleration · Investigating acceleration (RP7) Distance/time and vel/time · Terminal Velocity · Newton's first and second laws · Inertia · Newton's third law and breaking distance · Momentum and changes in momentum(HT)		Practical Skills Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
11 Autumn Chemistry	4.9 Chemistry of the atmosphere	· Composition of current atmosphere · Earth's early atmosphere · How O2 and CO2 increased · Greenhouse gases and human activity · Climate change and carbon footprint · Atmospheric pollutants		Practical Skills Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
11 Autumn Chemistry	4.10 Using resources	· Earth's resources · Potable water · RP8 Purification of water · Waste water treatment · Phytomining and bioleaching (HT) · Life cycle assessments · Corrosion and its prevention · Useful alloys · Ceramics, polymers and composites · Haber process · NPK fertilisers		Practical Skills Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
11 Autumn Physics	4.6 Waves	· Wave and wave properties · RP8 Ripple tank · Reflection and RP9 · Sound waves · Detection and exploration · Electromagnetic waves · Ray diagrams and wave front diagrams on refraction (HT) · RP 10 Infrared absorption · Properties and uses of EM waves · Lenses · Visible light · Black body radiation		Practical Skills Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
11 Autumn Physics	6.7 Magnetism and electromagnetism	4.7 Magnetism and electromagnetism · Permanent magnets · Magnetic fields · The motor effect and electromagnetism (Fleming's left hand rule HT only) · Electric motors (HT) · Loudspeakers (HT) · Induced potential · Transformers · National grid		Practical Skills Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques

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11 Autumn Biology	4.7 Ecology	· Communities · Abiotic and biotic factors · Adaptations · Levels of organisation · RP 9 Sampling · Carbon cycle · Water cycle		Practical Skills Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
ASSESSMENT 1:				
11 Autumn Physics	4.8 Space Physics	· Solar system · Life cycle of a star · Orbital motion and natural/artificial satellites · Red shift		Practical Skills Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
11 Autumn Biology	4.7 Ecology	· Decomposition · RP 10 Effect of temp on milk decay · Impact of environmental change · Biodiversity · Waste management and land use · Deforestation and global warming · Maintaining biodiversity · Trophic levels · Food production		Practical Skills Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
11 Autumn term	Exam preparation	Finish off any paper 2 topics Required practical activity catch up/revision		Practical Skills Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
ASSESSMENT 2:				
11 Spring term	Paper 1 revision	Revision paper 1 Biology Revision paper 1 Chemistry		Practical Skills Mathematical application



		Revision paper 1 Physics		Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
ASSESSMENT 3:				
11 Spring term	Required practical revision	Required practical focused revision Walking/talking mocks		Practical Skills Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
ASSESSMENT 4:				
11 Summer Biology	Feedback	Feedback		Practical Skills Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital
ASSESSMENT 5:				
11 Summer Biology	Exam preparation	Walking/talking mock		Practical Skills Mathematical application Literacy Apparatus Scientific Techniques Science Capital

