

Science Curriculum Guide

Year 9

Autumn Taught Content	Spring Taught Content	Summer Taught Content
Biology Microscopes & Cells Enzymes Respiration Photosynthesis Chemistry Particle model The atomic model Purity Formula masses Separation techniques Physics Development of Atomic models	 Chemistry Metals and nonmetals Periodic table Chemical bonding Polymers Allotropes of Carbon Physics Density Specific Latent Heat Specific Heat Capacity Pressure 	 Biology Diffusion & Osmosis Mitosis Specialised cells Physics Speed & Velocity Forces Equations of motion Newton's Laws

Assessment

Students will be tested formally throughout the year. This will be once per term, in the weeks either side of the half term breaks. There will also be a less formal assessments at other points during the year. At the end of the year, students will be advised if they will be completing the GCSE Separate science or combined science course in year 10. Students should be set homework once every fortnight. This may include completing questions, research tasks or revision for upcoming assessments.

Reading List

Thing Explainer: Complicated Stuff in Simple Words – Randall Munroe The Elements: A Visual Exploration of Every Known Atom in the Universe – Theodore Gray The Diversity of Life – E. O. Wilson The new way things work – D Macauley Cosmos – Carl Sagan Storm in a Teacup – Helen Czerski Bad Science – Ben Goldacre