

Physics Separate Science Curriculum Guide

Year 10

Exam Board: J249 OCR Gateway A (9-1) Physics

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Autumn Taught Content	Spring Taught Content	Summer Taught Content
Unit P2: Forces and Springs Potential Energies Moments Simple machines Revision of topics from P2; Equations of motion, Forces, Newton's Laws Unit P3: Electrostatics Current Potential difference Circuits Resistance Power	Unit P4: • Magnets • Current and fields • Uses of magnetism • Generators & Transformers • Microphones Unit P5: • Wave properties • Waves speed	Unit P5 cont'd: Wave properties Waves speed Sound and Hearing Electromagnetic waves Lenses Colour

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. Students will sit papers at either Higher or Foundation tier based on previous assessment. There will also be less formal assessments at other points during the year. Students will also be regularly tested on previous material from the GCSE course through low stakes quizzes. Students should be set homework once every fortnight. This may include completing questions, research tasks or revision.

Reading List

Almost Like a Whale - Steve Jones

Cosmos - Carl Sagan

Storm in a Teacup: The Physics of Everyday Life – Helen Czerski Stephen Hawking: A Graphic Guide – JP McEvoy & Oscar Zarate

Flatland - Edwin A. Abbot