

Bournville School Curriculum Overview



Curriculum Intent Statement

It is essential to recognise that an education in science is integral for understanding the world. Through science, students are taught to be critical of the information that they are being presented with and how best to interpret it. It is, therefore, essential that we equip our students with the knowledge and real-life scientific skills that will help them succeed. At key stage 3 we will build upon the solid foundations laid at key stage 2 and explore some of the core concepts throughout the three scientific disciplines. Students will be taught key scientific skills through practical work, which will be essential at GCSE level, and substantive knowledge thought high quality teaching and low stakes formative assessments. At key stage 4 we will use the skills that have been acquired at KS3 and will apply them to more specialized areas within the specific areas of study. Our key stage 4 provision has been tailored to suit the needs of all learners. As with the key stage 3 curriculum, there will be a particular focus on low stakes testing and formative assessment. Additionally, at key stage 4, we will focus on examination techniques and how to use specific command words.

Curriculum Overview 2021-2022 Subject: Science

Key stage 4	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 11	Ecology. (Paper 2) Chemical analysis.	Forces. (Paper 2)	Forces continued. (Paper 2)	Mock exam revision. (Paper 2)	GCSE examinations.	
	(Paper 2)		Waves. (Paper 2)	Mock exams.		
	Chemistry of the	Mack avam ravision	Magnetism and	(Paper 2)		
	atmosphere. (Paper 2)	(Paper 1)	electromagnetism. (Paper 2)	GCSE revision		
	Using resources. (Paper 2)	Mock exams. (Paper 1)	Mock exam revision. (Paper 2)	(Paper 1 & 2)		
Year 10	Energy. (Paper 1)	Chemical changes.	Quantitative chemistry.	Inheritance, variation,	Inheritance, variation,	Rate and extent of
	Infection and response. (Paper 1)	(Paper 1)	(Paper 1) Atomic structure.	and evolution. (Paper 2)	and evolution continued. (Paper 2)	chemical change. (Paper 2)
	Particle model of		(Paper 1)			Organic Chemistry. (Paper 2)
	matter. (Paper 1)		Homeostasis and response. (Paper 2)	End of year exam revision.	End of year exam.	
		KS3 reteach.	Mid-Year exam.			Paper 1 and 2 topics reteach.

Key stage 3	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 9	Lab skills. Electricity. Elements and the periodic table.	Respiration and photosynthesis Electromagnetism	Electromagnetism. Types of reaction. Evolution. Uses of waves.	Inheritance. Recreational drugs.	GCSE transition: Cell biology.	GCSE transition: Atomic structure and elements.
		Mid-year exam.			End of year exam.	
Year 8	Lab skills. Heating and cooling. Mid-year exam.	Acids and alkalis. Digestion. Work.	Chemical energy. Breathing and circulation.	Magnetism. Earth's resources. Interdependence.	Pressure. End of year exam.	Climate. Plant reproduction. Waves.
Year 7	Lab skills. Energy transfers. GL assessments	Particle model. Cells and organisms. Energy costs.	Separating mixtures. Movement.	Speed. Metals and non-metals. Variation.	Human reproduction. End of year exam	Earth structure. Contact forces. Gravity and the universe.

