

Science

Curriculum Principles

By the end of their all-through education, a student of science at Dixons Trinity Chapeltown will:

- know fundamental scientific principles from biology, chemistry and physics that will provide a foundation for understanding and navigating the world. Student knowledge is structured around the big ideas in science which range from the particulate nature of matter, to the cellular basis of living organisms, to the structure of the universe.
- understand the processes of scientific inquiry that leads to the creation and development of concepts and theories. Students will understand how science can be used to explain observations and make predictions about natural phenomena.

Our uniting 'sentence' is: "The science department empowered students to explore scientific concepts and to achieve academic excellence, whilst instilling a sense of excitement and curiosity about natural phenomena."

In order to achieve a true understanding of science topics have been intelligently sequenced based on the following rationale:

- scientific knowledge is broadly hierarchical in nature students must have a secure understanding of each key block of knowledge before progressing onto the next stage. Therefore, in order to support this, topics have been meticulously planned and ordered to ensure that students are always building on and deepening their previous learning.
- in biology, primary students are introduced to different animals (including humans) in EYFS, further animals and plants and their life processes in Base Camp and this is then revisited in more depth at Lower Peak. Then at Middle Peak students learn about the structure, function and behaviour of living organisms in detail, building up from the microscopic cellular level to the macro-scale interactions in an ecosystem. These topics are extended at Upper Peak, with the expectation that students learn to apply this knowledge and make links with other topics.
- in chemistry, primary students are introduced to the properties of everyday materials. In EYFS, students explore ideas such as: floating, sinking and melting. In Base Camp students investigate different materials and their uses, before moving onto more abstract concepts such as solubility, conductivity and changes of state in Lower Peak. In Middle Peak, students start with a rigorous grounding in the fundamentals of secondary level chemistry: states of matter, the periodic table, chemical reactions and the behaviour of materials. Having mastered the foundation knowledge, students are fulling equipped with the necessary knowledge and skills to tackle the more challenging Upper Peak content, such as chemical bonding and quantitative chemistry.
- in physics, primary students are introduced to the fundamentals of forces, electricity, sound, light and space focusing on concrete concepts and experiences. These topics are taught explicitly in Base Camp and then revisited in more depth in Lower Peak. In Middle Peak, students continue to study these topics, as well as introducing more challenging concepts such as energy, pressure and density. In Upper Peak the focus shifts to a more quantitative appreciation of the subject matter and develops mathematical skills.
- experimental work is a key feature of all lessons in primary phase so that students can build confidence working practically and can start to appreciate the nature of scientific enquiry. Each year, primary students undertake either two or three extended investigations. At the start of Y7, 'working scientifically' skills are taught explicitly. These skills have been carefully mapped across all topics throughout Middle Peak and Upper Peak so that students are given many opportunities to apply and develop these concepts. For example, each topic deliberately includes several opportunities to revisit graph and table interpretation skills.

The science curriculum will address social disadvantage by addressing gaps in students' knowledge and skills:

- at primary, students are tracked against core assessment standards and expectations three times per year. Underachievement is identified and students are targeted in lessons to meet objectives through 1:1 support, small group work and feedback.
- at the start of Y7, students sit a baseline assessment covering key skills and knowledge from the Primary National Curriculum. This allows for early intervention to be put in place to ensure that all students can access the Middle Peak curriculum from a level playing field, independent of their background. In addition, our curriculum is designed around the most disadvantaged learners. We are careful not to assume any prior general knowledge or cultural capital and always teach new knowledge explicitly.
- The Education Endowment Foundation published a major report in 2017 examining the disadvantaged attainment gap in science. The strongest factor affecting pupils' science scores is their literacy levels. In our department, we actively promote literacy every lesson through reading, annotating and discussing challenging texts. We also support children to answer questions in full sentences by verbally modelling sentence starters, giving adequate thinking time and allowing children to 'turn and talk' with a partner. We plan frequent extended writing tasks and support children with verbal rehearsal activities, sentence starters and keywords.
- disadvantaged students and those from identified underrepresented groups receive priority for extra intervention sessions. For
 example, students have the opportunity to receive additional guidance and tutoring in small groups to close specific gaps in their
 understanding during weekly 'Prep' and 'Morning Mastery' sessions. These groups are reallocated twice a cycle based on question
 level analysis from cycle assessments and teacher judgement based on classwork. Teachers also prioritise these students when
 creating and implementing their Intervention Prevention plans. Disadvantaged students are also always prioritised when selecting



students for small group trips to museums and universities and for science competitions. At GCSE level, students are provided with suitable revision resources (e.g. revision guides and stationary) to give all students a fair opportunity to be successful.

- all students are taught the same rigorous curriculum. Although students at secondary level are taught in groups, we have the same high expectations of all students we do not narrow or dilute the curriculum. All students are taught from the same student work booklets so that everyone is given access to the same powerful and catalytic knowledge. That being said, teachers understand the need to supplement the work booklets with additional practice/scaffolds or extension material, as required for individual students.
- students with special educational needs or disabilities are given extra support through the use of Double Staffing. Students are taught in small groups so that individual needs can be catered for. Students with profound barriers to learning receive additional teaching and practice of core concepts to achieve mastery. Students who are new to English receive support with vocabulary and literacy.

We fully believe science can contribute to the personal development of students at DTC:

- the social development of our students is nurtured through the explicit teaching and practice of effective teamwork and communication skills when working in groups for scientific investigations. Groups are selected by the teacher to ensure that students learn to effectively collaborate with others from different backgrounds or from outside of their friendship circle.
- science naturally provides many opportunities for balanced discussions of moral and ethical issues. For example, we explore the moral complexities of organ transplant, the controversial use of genetic engineering and the disputed use of stem cells for disease treatment. Students are given time to discuss these issues both in pairs and as a class to allow students to develop spiritually.
- when teaching topics such as the theory of evolution and the Big Bang theory, this provides a chance to develop students' cultural awareness as we can discuss viewpoints of these theories from different religions and cultures. We also discuss historical sexism in scientific developments for example, the famous case of Rosalind Franklin's discovery of the structure of DNA.
- science lessons also provide a wealth of opportunities to explore personal development relating to physical and mental health. For example, students study the effects of smoking, drugs and alcohol from both a scientific and social perspective. When teaching about the digestive system, students are taught about the importance of a balanced diet and how to interpret nutritional information.
- we want students to become respectful and responsible citizens who contribute positively to society. For example, students are taught in detail about global warming, pollution and energy resources so that they understand the importance of recycling, reducing waste and cutting down their carbon footprint.
- our science curriculum contributed to the whole academy anti-racism agenda. We ensure that we teach about prominent scientific figures that are representative of all cultures and ethnicities, for example George Washington Carver and Henrietta Lacks.

From Lower Peak onwards, our belief is that homework should be interleaved-revision of powerful knowledge that has been modelled and taught in lessons. This knowledge is recalled and applied through a range of low-stakes quizzing and practice.

Opportunities are built in to make links to the world of work to enhance the careers, advice and guidance that students are exposed to:

- each topic in Middle and Upper Peaks have a 'careers spotlight', where students will explore a profession linked to that particular unit of work. For example, when Y8 students study chemical reactions, they learn about careers in chemical engineering.
- problem solving activities are built into the curriculum that allow students to apply scientific knowledge to certain career based scenarios. For example, when learning about health and disease in Middle Peak, students have to write an explanation to a patient from the point of view of a doctor explaining why they are prescribing painkillers rather than antibiotics.
- Students visit Cannon Hall farm, Filey Beach and a local nature reserve in Base Camp and Lower Peak to support their work on animal
 life cycles and habitats. Middle Peak students visit the Thackray Medical Museum to explore medicine through time and the work of
 medical professionals.

A true love of science involves learning about various cultural domains. We teach beyond the specification requirements, but do ensure students are well prepared to be successful in GCSE examinations:

- opportunities to explore the history and philosophy of science are embedded into the curriculum. For example, in primary phase, students investigate the work of key scientists such as Mary Anning and Jane Goodall. This continues at secondary, mainly taking the form of reading rich texts about an array of topics, such as: the history of space exploration, Semmelweis' work on Germ Theory and how new chemical elements get their names. Whilst not examined, they are included for engagement and to build cultural capital.
- although students' practical skills are no longer examined through coursework, we believe it is absolutely essential that all students can plan and carry out practicals using laboratory equipment safely and accurately so that they are fully prepared for future study and employment. In Middle Peak, we want students to be exposed to a wide variety of engaging practicals, such as investigations into the effectiveness of different brands of indigestion tablets and hand sanitiser and finding the best metal for making frying pans. In Upper Peak there is a greater focus on the GCSE Required Practicals but we are not restricted to this list of experiments.
- students that wish to develop their science knowledge beyond the curriculum can select STEM Club for their co-curricular elective. As part of this club, students are given opportunities to represent the academy at competitions and to gain a CREST award. There is also an ever-growing collection of science based non-fiction books in the iBase which are very popular with our students. Throughout the year, there are also opportunities to take part in science guizzes and contests to earn highly-coveted house points.



Curriculum Overview

All children are entitled to a curriculum and to the powerful knowledge which will open doors and maximise their life chances. Below is a high-level overview of the critical knowledge children will learn in this particular subject, at each key stage from Reception through to Year 11, in order to equip students with the cultural capital they need to succeed in life. The curriculum is planned vertically and horizontally giving thought to the optimum knowledge sequence for building secure schema.

		Knowledge, sl	kills and understanding to be gained a	at each stage*									
		Cycle 1	Cycle 2	Cycle 3									
	Knowledge introduced	Understanding the World / Physical Development Humans: My body, facial features, own basic hygiene and oral hygiene, keeping healthy, healthy choices Plants: observing plants, including poppies, caring for living things, noticing changes over time. Seasons: seasonal change	Materials: investigating water/ice, magnetic materials	Understanding the World Animals: egg to chick; names of common animals in different habitats, invertebrates (use term minibeast) in our environment Habitats: comparing environments e.g. tropical, ocean, desert Seasons: seasonal change									
EYFS	Skills introduced	·	How to describe what they see; fair/not fair (when adults are helping with investigations); how to use books to find more information	·									
	Knowledge revisited		Parts of plants, seasonal change	Seasonal change, parts of animals									
	Skills revisited		Caring for living things, observing scientifically; asking questions about the world they live in	Caring for living things; observing scientifically; asking questions; hygiene skills									
	Continuous Provision	Characteristics of effective learning: finding out and exploring; using senses to explore the world; observing and payi attention to detail; creating and thinking critically; asking questions; finding ways to solve problems; making predictions a testing their ideas; developing ideas of cause and effect; evaluating											
1	Knowledge introduced	Bodies and Senses Draw and label basic parts of the human body; understand the five senses and associated body parts Animals Describe structures of animals (e.g. gills, claws, scales, tentacles, fins, skin, hair, fur, tail, feathers, skeleton, whiskers); name common animals; understand key features of different families of common animals within the broad groups of mammals, reptiles, amphibians, fish, birds (students do not need to classify into these groups yet); identify carnivores, herbivores and omnivores	their physical properties; use properties to describe materials, including wood, plastic, glass, fabric, metal and rock; identify materials which are transparent and opaque Experimenting with Materials How to answer our own scientific questions; experimenting with materials;	Plants Identify and name common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees; describe the structure of common flowering plants and trees; identify fruits and vegetables Gardening Planting and caring for bulbs and seeds, including flowers; identify fruits and vegetables observing how plants grow over time; reporting scientific findings									
YEAR 1		-	describe weather associated with the seas the seasons; (skill: use thermometers to										
	Skills introduced	closely, using simple equipment (e.g. hand lenses); fair tests; classifying using	Perform simple tests; make basic predictions; identifying and classifying using scientific vocabulary; using simple equipment (e.g. timers), block graphs; tables of results	Use observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions; identifying properties; using simple equipment (e.g. tape measures/rulers)									
	Knowledge revisited	Describing myself, Animals (invertebrates and chicks)	Five senses; materials (water)	Local environment; planting in EYFS, parts of a flower									
	Skills revisited	Question words; tally charts, observational skills; fair or not fair; sorting and grouping	Asking simple scientific questions, use resources responsibly; observing closely; sorting & grouping	Making basic predictions; describing observations, taking care of living things									

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		Cycle 1	Cycle 2	Cycle 3
YEAR 2	Knowledge introduced	Living Things and their Habitats (Local) Differences between things that are living, dead, and have never been alive; 7 processes of living things; describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals; name a variety of animals in their habitats, including microhabitats Everyday Materials Identify everyday materials and explain how their uses relate to their properties; explore how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching; natural, man-made and recyclable materials; inventions of Charles Macintosh	animals; simple food chains; sources of food; importance of a healthy diet, exercise, good hygiene Animals including Humans Animals, including humans have offspring which grow into adults; describe the basic needs of animals for	Plants Identify common seeds and bulbs; flowering plant life cycle; conditions for germination; describe how plants need air, water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy Living Things and their Habitats (Worldwide) Comparing habitats: seashore, woodland, ocean, rainforest; global warming; human impact on habitats
YE	Skills introduced	Use different types of scientific enquiry to gather and record data; notice similarities, differences and patterns; draw food chains		Observe changes over time; find out information using secondary sources of information
	Knowledge revisited	Common animals; similarities between living things; animal diet; life processes; habitats	Properties of common materials; group materials by their physical properties	Structure of common plants; life cycles; seasons and climate
	Skills revisited	Scientific observation; asking and answering scientific questions; identifying and classifying; grouping	Scientific observations; recording observations; comparing materials using scientific vocabulary; describe changes	Interpreting basic information; classifying, identifying and sorting; using simple equipment (e.g thermometer, ruler)
YEAR 3	Knowledge introduced	of nutrition Key Scientist: Dian Fossey Light Light sources; how light is reflected from surfaces; sun safety and ways to protect; formation of shadows; how distance from the light source affects shadows Key Scientist: Thomas Young	sedimentary and metamorphic rock; formation of fossils; formation of soil; structure of the earth Key Scientists: Charles Darwin; George Washington Carver Forces and Magnets Describe forces including gravity, friction, magnetic forces; sort magnetic and non-magnetic materials; describe magnetic attraction; identify forces on different objects (pushing and pulling) Key Scientist: Galileo Galilei	Plants Naming different parts of flowering plants; explore what plants need for life and growth; the importance flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal; how water is transported within plants Key Scientist: Agnes Arber How Science Works Plan an investigation linked to student interest, display and analyse the results, revise key learning
>	Skills introduced Knowledge revisited	Set up experiments independently, according to a method; ask relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them Parts of the human body; five senses; skeleton; healthy lifestyles PSHCE – healthy eating (Y1 / Y2) PE – muscles	changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes; accurately read scales; use standard units	Dissect parts of a plant Flowering plants; elements required for growth; importance of water
	Skills revisited	Labelling; observing changes	Compare and classify by properties	Identify differences and similarities; record findings using scientific language

		Cycle 1	Cycle 2	Cycle 3
	Knowledge introduced	Electricity Common appliances that use electricity;	Sound How sounds are made through vibration;	Animals including Humans Functions of the human digestive
		mains and battery; construct a simple series circuit; identify and use cells, bulbs, switches and buzzers; different ways of generating electricity; common conductors and insulators; potential electrical safety hazards in the home Key Scientist: Thomas Edison	explore how sounds travel in solids, liquids and gases; differences between pitch and volume; relationship between	system; different types of teeth in humans and their functions; construct and interpret food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey Key Scientist: Marie Maynard Daly Living Things and Their Habitats: Plants
		_	Living Things and Their Habitats:	Sort plants into the categories: flowering
		States of Matter Identify everyday solids, liquids and gases by their properties; changes of state via melting and freezing; measuring temperature in degrees Celsius; water cycle; evaporation and condensation Key Scientist: Humphry Davy	, -	plants (including grasses) and non- flowering plants (ferns, algae and mosses); describe the functions of parts of a flowering plant Key Scientist: Rachel Carson
	Skills introduced	Using scientific evidence to answer questions and support findings; using simple electrical equipment; how to use a data logger; scaled scientific drawing	improvements to an investigation, using	Use and create classification keys, present information using labelled graphs
	Knowledge revisited	Conductors and insulators; properties of materials; effect of temperature; light; why materials change state; importance of water Geography - the water cycle (Y4 C1) Maths – reading temperature scales PSHCE – eating Healthily (Y2 C1)	States of matter; parts of the human body; five senses; protection of hearing flowering plants and their life cycles; effect of the local environment Music and DT links	Parts of the human body; teeth; taste; impact of diet; food chains; carnivores, omnivores and herbivores; habitats; changing environments; living things in the local environment
	Skills revisited	Classifying and sorting; using standard units of measure	Set up practical enquiries; dissection of plants;	Report on findings, including oral and written explanations
	Knowledge	Earth and Space	Properties of Materials	Living Things and Their Habitats
	introduced	planets, relative to the Sun; describe the movement of the Moon relative to the Earth, concept of the Earth, Sun and Moon as spherical bodies; explain day and night by describing the Earth's rotation around the Sun; name the 8 planets in our solar system; the		Life process of asexual and sexual reproduction in plants; compare life cycle of plants in the local environment with other plants around the world; types of seed dispersal Key Scientist: Jane Goodall; Ernest Everett Just
YEAK 5		acceptance of the heliocentric model Key Scientist: Mae Jemison Forces Describe different forces acting on an object; gravity; air resistance; water resistance; friction; forces in mechanisms (levers, pulleys and gears) Key Scientist: Isaac Newton	Dissolving and separating mixtures; filtration, sieving and evaporation; reversible and irreversible changes, including burning Key Scientist: John Dalton	Animals including Humans Life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird; human development stages; life process of reproduction in some animals; puberty, gestation periods of some mammals Key Scientist: David Attenborough
	Skills introduced	Recognising and controlling variables	Set up comparative and fair tests; evaluate the consequences of an unfair test	

		Knowledge, s	kills and understanding to be gained a	at each stage*
		Cycle 1	Cycle 2	Cycle 3
YEAR 5	Knowledge revisited	Magnetism; different forces on an object; friction; pushing and pulling PDS - Y3 C1 - Stephen Hawking study	Everyday materials and their impact on the quality of sound; uses of everyday materials; dissolving and mixing; reversible changes; properties of materials	Life cycles of plants and animals; impact of the local environment; human development; adaptation
>	Skills revisited	Scaled drawing; using scientific equipment to take measurements, with increasing accuracy and precision	, , ,	Dissection of plants; identify and classify common plants and animals
YEAR 6	Knowledge introduced	Living Things and Their Habitats The work of Carl Linnaeus and the Linnaeus system; describe how living things (plants, animals, microorganisms) are classified into broad groups using observable and common characteristics; understand that these broad groups can be further sub divided; identify similarities and differences between living things and use these to help to classify; explain why plants and animals have been classified into certain groups and sub-groups Key Scientists: Carl Linnaeus; Emmett Chappelle Light How light travels; reflection and refraction of light; prisms; spectrum of light; how the angle of the light source affects shadows; seeing colours including filters; the law of reflection; Key Scientist: Albert Einstein	theory of evolution; how fossils support the theory of evolution; human inherited	Animals including Humans Main parts of the human circulatory system, including heart, blood vessels and blood; transportation of water and nutrients; healthy life styles; impact of diet; impact of exercise; impact of drugs and alcohol, including smoking Key Scientist: Charles Drew How Science Works Development of scientific theories; plan an investigation linked to student interest, display and analyse the results; revise key learning Key Scientist: the importance of BAME scientists, and why more are needed
	Skills introduced	Importance of the travel of light in everyday life (rear-view mirrors on cars, periscopes) Drawing light rays		Use secondary sources of information to support primary findings; evaluate the trustworthiness of sources
	Knowledge revisited		Classification systems; grouping living things; fossils; how living things have changed over time History – Palaeontology (Y2) Maths – Angles (Y4 / Y6)	
	Skills revisited	Scaled drawing, with labels; identify common electrical circuit components	Group and classify; use and create classification keys	Create graphs, with labelled scales, of increasing complexity
YEAR 7	Knowledge introduced	Science skills Development of scientific theories; planning an investigation and displaying and analysing results; bouncing balls investigation (these skills are embedded in all future topics from year 7 – 11) Cells and life processes Plant and animal cells; using a microscope to view cells; specialised cells; unicellular organisms; introduction to respriation, photosynthesis and diffusion	mixtures; rock salt investigation Reproduction Puberty; reproductive systems; pregnancy; parts of a flower and plant	Elements Atoms; elements, compounds and mixtures; the periodic table; chemical formulae; properties of metals and nonmetals and introduction to chemical reactions Ecology Competition in ecosystems; adaptations of plants and animals; food chains and webs; pyramids of numbers and classification

		Knowledge, s	kills and understanding to be gained a	at each stage*
		Cycle 1	Cycle 2	Cycle 3
YEAR 7	Knowledge introduced	balanced and unbalanced forces; air	Energy Energy stores and transfer pathways; law of conservation of energy; efficiency; advantages and disadvantages of renewable and non-renewable energy resources and heat energy transfer investigation.	Acids and alkalis pH scale; indicators; neutralisation reactions; indigestion tablet investigation and making salts practical Sound Behaviour of sound waves; amplitude and frequency; oscilloscope traces; hearing and the ear
ΥEΑ	CEAIG	Careers in aeronautical engineering (forces and space topic)	Careers in midwifery (reproduction topic)	Careers in veterinary medicine / nursing (ecology topic)
	Knowledge & Skills Revisited	Science skills builds on how science works skills previously taught through investigations. Cells and life processes builds on previous knolwedge from the Animals (including Humans) topics.	Specialised cells and life processes, forces causes an energy transfer, science skills applied to investigations.	States of matter applied to elements topics, life processes, space linked to sound waves, science skills applied to investigations.
	Knowledge	The Body	Health and disease	Inheritance and variation
YEAR 8	CEAIG	Skeletal system; muscular system; food groups; digestive system; respiratory system; circulatory system; the heart and exercise Metals Properties of metals; reactions of metals and reactivity series; extraction of metals from ores and recycling metals Forces and motion Weight, mass and gravity; Hooke's law theory and investigation; speed calculations and distance-time graphs Careers in medicine / nursing (the body	and use of antibiotics; discovery and use of vaccinations; healthy diets; smoking; drugs and alcohol Chemical reactions Chemical equations; rates of reaction theory and investigations; conservation of mass and exo/endothermic reactions Electricity and magnetism Circuit components and diagrams; series and parallel circuit theory and investigation; current, voltage and resistance; magnets; magnetic fields and electromagnets	DNA and genetics; environmental and inherited variation; natural selection and extinction Plants Photosynthesis; structure of leaves; plant roots and minerals; fertilisers; bioaccumulation and testing leaves for starch Environmental chemistry Burning fuels theory and investigation; Earth's changing atmosphere; global warming; acid rain and water cycle Light Behaviour of light waves; reflection, refraction and dispersion investigations; colours of light; seeing and the eye. Careers in ophthalmology (light topic)
	CEAIG	topic)	(chemical reactions topic)	Careers in opininalmology (light topic)
	Knowledge & Skills Revisited	Cells and life processes, metal and non- metal properites, year 7 forces knowledge is further developed, science skills applied to investigations.	year 7 simple chemical reactions	Cell structure, photosynthesis, ecology, chemical reactions, waves knowledge from year 7, science skills applied to investigations.
YEAR 9	Knowledge introduced	AQA GCSE Combined Science Trilogy Cell biology Strucutre of eukaryotic and prokayrotic cells; cell division; advantages and disadvantages of stem cells; microscopy and cell transport (diffusion; active transport and osmosis) Atomic structure and periodic table Development and current model of the atom; group 1; 7 and 0 elements; properties of metals and non-metals Energy Stores and pathways; law of conservation; efficiency; power; energy resources	AQA GCSE Combined Science Trilogy Organisation Organ systems in plants and animals Bonding and structure Ionic; covalent and metallic bonding; solids; liquids and gases and properties of substances Particle model of matter States of matter; changes of state; density; internal energy; energy transfers and gas pressure	AQA GCSE Combined Science Trilogy Infection and response Pathogens; spread and prevention of infection; immune response and treatment of infectious diseases Chemistry of the atmosphere Composition and evolution of the Earth's atmosphere; greenhouse gases and pollutants
	CEAIG	Careers in microbiology (cell biology topic)	Careers in plant science and horticulture (organisation topic)	Careers in pharmacology (infection and response topic)

		Knowledge, sl	kills and understanding to be gained a	at each stage*
		Cycle 1	Cycle 2	Cycle 3
YEAR 9	Knowledge & Skills Revisited		systems and life processes, properties of matter and states of matter. Science	. /
YEAR 10		AQA GCSE Combined Science Trilogy Bioenergetics Respiration and photosynthesis Quantitative chemistry Chemical measurement; conservation of mass; chemical calculations and concentration Chemical changes Reactivity of metals and acids; pH and electrolysis Electricity Circuit components; current; potential difference; resistance; I-V graphs; mains electricity and national grid Atomic structure Model of an atom; radioactive decay and nuclear radiation	reactions and dynamic equilibrium Forces Scalars and vectors; types of forces;	AQA GCSE Combined Science Trilogy Inheritance; variation and evolution Reproduction; meiosis; genetics; selective breeding; genetic engineering; classification Organic chemistry Crude oil; hydrocarbons; fractional distillation and cracking Chemical analysis Purity; formulations; chromatography and gas tests Waves Transverse and longitudinal waves; properties of waves; uses and applications of electromagnetic waves
	CEAIG	Careers in electrical engineering (electricity topic)	Careers in mechanical engineering (forces topic)	Careers in forensic science (chemical analysis topic)
	Knowledge & Skills Revisited	Builds on knowledge of life processes, chemical reactions, atomic structure from the chemistry topic and electricity. Science skills continue to be embedded.		Builds on previous knowledge of genetics, separating techniques and waves.
YEAR 11	CEAIG	AQA GCSE Combined Science Trilogy Ecology Adaptation; interdependence; competition; biodiversity and human effects Using Resources Potable water; life cycle assessments and recycling Magnetism and electromagnetism Permanent and induced magnetism; magnetic fields; motor effect Careers in manufacturing engineering	AQA GCSE Combined Science Trilogy Review and revision of all GCSE topics	
		(using resources topic)		
	Knowledge & Skills Revisited	Builds on previous knowledge of ecology, metal recycling, magnets and magnetic fields.	Revisits all topics.	

^{*}A powerful, knowledge-rich curriculum teaches both substantive knowledge (facts; knowing that something is the case; what we think about) and non-declarative or **procedural knowledge** (skills and processes; knowing how to do something; what we think with). There are no skills without bodies of knowledge to underpin them. In some subjects, a further distinction can be made between substantive knowledge (the domain specific knowledge accrued e.g. knowledge of the past) and disciplinary knowledge (how the knowledge is accrued e.g. historical reasoning). Please refer to the DAT Curriculum Principles, published on our website, for further information about how we have designed our all-through curriculum.





Year 1 Long Term Plan

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13
	Induction									Planning days	Y8 expedition		
Cycle 1		Bodies and Senses Features of human body Continuous provision	Bodies and Senses Features of human body Continuous provision	Bodies and Senses senses Continuous provision	Bodies and Senses Eureka Senses workshop Continuous provision	Animals vertebrates and invertebrates Continuous provision	Animals mammals Continuous provision	Animals reptiles and amphibians Continuous provision	Animals fish and birds Continuous provision	Data and planning day	Animals herbivores, omnivores and carnivores Continuous provision	Animals To observe and classify animals	Everyday Materials Identifying Objects
							Cycle assess	ment weeks	Data input		Y7 expedition		
Cycle 2	Everyday Materials Exploring Materials	Everyday Materials Identifying Materials		Everyday Materials Exploring Properties	Everyday Materials Identifying Properties	Everyday Materials Combining Objects, Materials and Properties	Everyday Materials Exploring Flexibility	Everyday Materials Slide Investigation Practical	Everyday Materials Slide Investigation Write Up	Data and planning day	Everyday Materials Exploring See- through	Zoolab/animal man visit	Everyday Materials Investigating Waterproof
							7		Cycle assess	ment weeks	Y9 expedition		Recognition
Cycle 3	Gardening Planting seeds	Gardening Caring for plants	Plants Identifying and naming common garden plans	Plants Identifying and naming wild garden plans	Plants Identifying and naming deciduous and evergreen trees	Gardening Observing how plants grow over time	Gardening Extended Writing How to care for pants	Gardening Extended Writing How to care for pants	Plants Identifying and naming structure of plants	Plants Identifying and naming fruits and vegetables	Plants Identifying fruits and vegetables as parts of plants (e.g. celery is stem)	Gardening Caring for plants	



Year 2 Long Term Plan

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13
	Induction									Planning days	Y8 expedition		
Cycle 1		Local Habitats Life processes: Movement, respiration and sensitivity	Local Habitats Living Processes: Growth, Reproduction, Excretion and Nutrition;	Local Habitats Living, dead, never alive	Local Habitats Habitats	Local Habitats microhabitats	Local Habitats How animals are best suited to their habitat	Materials Distinguish between and object and its material	Materials Describe properties of materials	Materials Manmade, natural, recyclable	Materials Suitability of materials	Materials Charles Macintosh	Materials Squashing, bending, twisting, stretching
							Cycle assess	ment weeks	Data input		Y7 expedition		
Cycle 2	Keeping Healthy SUMMIT 7 How to cook a meal	Food chains and keeping healthy Importance of healthy diet	Food chains and keeping healthy Importance of exercise/ hygiene	Food chains and keeping healthy Sources of food	Food chains and keeping healthy Animals obtain food from other animals	Food chains and keeping healthy Simple food chains	Food chains and keeping healthy Simple food chains	Animals including humans Basic needs for survival	Animals including humans Animals' offspring	Animals including humans Human lifecycle	Animals including humans Butterfly lifecycle	Animals including humans Observing butterflies	Animals including humans Other life cycles (if time)
							/	1	Cycle assess	ment weeks	Y9 expedition		Recognition
Cycle 3	Plants Identify seeds & bulbs	Plants Conditions for germination	Plants What plants need to grow	Plants What plants need to grow (experiment)	Plants Flowering plant lifecycle	Plants Flowering plant lifecycle	Living things & their habitats (worldwide) Comparing habitats	Living things & their habitats (worldwide) Comparing habitats	Living things & their habitats (worldwide) Global warming	Living things & their habitats (worldwide) Global warming	Living things & their habitats (worldwide) Human impact on habitats (plastic in ocean)	Living things & their habitats (worldwide) Human impact on habitats (orangutans)	



Long Term Plan 2021/2022

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13
	W/C 30/08	W/C 6/09	W/C 13/09	W/C 20/09	W/C 27/09	W/C 4/10	W/C 11/10	W/C 01/11	W/C 08/11	W/C 15/11	W/C 22/11	W/C 29/11	W/C 06/12
	Term 1	Baseline	Baseline					Term 2 Assessment week		Data/Planning day 18 / 19		Parent Consultation Day	
Cycle 1	Induction	Light Sources of light L1	Light How light travels L2	Light How eyes see L3	Light Transparent, translucent, opaque L4	Light Staying safe in the sun L5	Light Scientist: Thomas Young L5	Animals including Humans Purpose of skeletons L1	Animals including Humans Types of skeleton L2	Animals including Humans Naming bones L3	Animals including Humans Ribs, Spine, Skull L4	Animals including Humans Muscles L5	Animals including Humans Nutrition Groups L6
	W/C 13/12	W/C 03/01	W/C 10/01	W/C 17/01	W/C 24/01	W/C 31/01	W/C 07/02	W/C 14/02	W/C 28/02	W/C 07/03	W/C 14/03	W/C 21/03	W/C 28/03
7		Term 3							Term 4 Assessment Week World Book Day	Data/Planning Day 10/11		Music For Youth expedition Parent Consultation Day	
Cycle 2	Pantomime	Reinduction Animals including Humans Cook a meal	Forces and Magnets What are forces? L1	Forces and Magnets Friction (double period 2 sessions) L2	Forces and Magnets Friction (double period 2 sessions) L2	Forces and Magnets Magnets L3	Forces and Magnets Magnetic Poles L4	Forces and Magnets Scientists: Newton L5	Reinduction Rocks and Soils Natural and manmade rocks	Rocks and Soils Properties of rocks	Rocks and Soils Investigate properties of rocks	Rocks and Soils Fossilization process	Rocks and Soils Workshop with Leeds City Museum
	W/C 18/04	W/C 25/04	W/C 02/05	W/C 09/05	W/C 16/05	W/C 23/05	W/C 06/06	W/C 13/06	W/C 20/06	W/C 27/06	W/C 04/07	W/C 11/07	W/C 18/07
m	Term 5 Bank Holiday 18/04		Bank Holiday 2/05			Lower Peak Sports Day	Term 6	Assessment	Assessment	Data Input 2		Base Camp Sports Day	Data Day 15/07
Cycle	Rocks and Soils Describe and explore soils	Reinduction Plants What do plants need to grow?	Plants Pollination and fertilisation	Plants Plant life cycles	Plants Investigation: temperature	Plants Why are plants important?	Reinduction Assesssment	Independent Scientific Enquiry	Independent Scientific Enquiry	Independent Scientific Enquiry	Transition Week Additional lesson if needed	Independent Scientific Enquiry	End of Year Celebration



Year 4 Science

Long Term Plan 2021/2022

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	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13
	W/C 30/08	W/C 6/09	W/C 13/09	W/C 20/09	W/C 27/09	W/C 4/10	W/C 11/10	W/C 01/11	W/C 08/11	W/C 15/11	W/C 22/11	W/C 29/11	W/C 06/12
	Term 1	Baseline	Baseline					Term 2 Assessment week		Data/Planning day 18 / 19		Parent Consultation Day	
Cycle 1	Induction	Electricity What is electricity L1	Electricity Sources of Fuel L1.5	Electricity Current and Mains electricity L2	Electricity Electrical safety L2.5	Electricity Thomas Edison L3	Electricity Exploring circuits L4	Reinduction Electricity Conductors and Insulators L5	Electricity Conductors and Insulators Experiment L6	Solids liquids Gases Identifying everyday solids liquids and gases L1	Solids Liquids Gases Particles of solids, liquids gases L2	Solids Liquids Gases Cooling and heating L5	Solids Liquids Gases Cooling and heating investigation L4
	W/C 13/12	W/C 03/01	W/C 10/01	W/C 17/01	W/C 24/01	W/C 31/01	W/C 07/02	W/C 14/02	W/C 28/02	W/C 07/03	W/C 14/03	W/C 21/03	W/C 28/03
		Term 3							Term 4 Assessment Week World Book Day	Data/Planning Day 10/11		Music For Youth expedition Parent Consultation Day	1
Cycle 2	Pantomime	Solids Liquids Gases Water Cycle L5	Solids Liquids Gases Water Cycle writing opportunity L6 (this lesson can be cut if needs be Natalie)	Sound How sounds are made	Sound How sounds travel in solids	Sound How sounds travel in liquids and gases	Sound Pitch and volume	Sound Sound and distance	Reinduction Sound Anatomy of ear	Living Things: animals Identify and name wider variety of animals	Living Things: animals Classification Keys	Living Things: animals Climate change and environmental activism	Living Things: animals Deforestation, invasive species, pollution, endangered animals
	W/C 18/04	W/C 25/04	W/C 02/05	W/C 09/05	W/C 16/05	W/C 23/05	W/C 06/06	W/C 13/06	W/C 20/06	W/C 27/06	W/C 04/07	W/C 11/07	W/C 18/07
	Term 5 Bank Holiday 18/04		Bank Holiday 2/05			Lower Peak Sports Day	Term 6	Assessment	Assessment	Data Input 2		Base Camp Sports Day	Data Day 15/07
Cycle 3	Animals including Humans Functions of digestive system	Reinduction Animals including Humans teeth	Animals including Humans Food chains	Animals including Humans Producers, predators, prey	Assessment	TAF lesson	Reinduction Living Things: plants Sorting and categorising plants	Living Things: plants Flowering plants	Living Things: plants Non flowering plants	Living Things: plants Describe functions of parts of a flowering plant	Transition Week Additional lesson if needed	Assessment	End of Year Celebration



Year 7 Long Term Plan (4 lessons per week with one teacher teaching biology, chemistry and physics)

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13
	Induction									Planning days	Y8 expedition		
Cycle 1	Induction (no lessons)	Science Skills	Science Skills	Science Skills	Science Skills	Cells & Life Processes	Cells & Life Processes	Cells & Life Processes	Cells & Life Processes	Forces & Space	Forces & Space	Forces & Space	Forces & Space
							Cycle assess	ment weeks	Data input		Y7 expedition		
Cycle 2	Particles & Solutions	Particles & Solutions	Particles & Solutions	Energy	Energy	Energy	Revision	Revision & Assessment	Reproduction	Reproduction	Reproduction	Atoms & Elements	Atoms & Elements
								/ /	Cycle assess	ment weeks	Y9 expedition		Recognition
Cycle 3	Atoms & Elements	Ecology	Ecology	Ecology	Acids & Alkalis	Acids & Alkalis	Acids & Alkalis	Revision	Revision	Revision & Assessment	Waves	Waves	Waves



Year 8 Long Term Plan (4 lessons per week with one teacher teaching biology, chemistry and physics)

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13
	Induction									Planning days	Y8 expedition		
Cycle 1	Induction (no lessons)	Plants & Ecology	Plants & Ecology	Plants & Ecology	Plants & Ecology	Waves	Waves	Waves	Waves	Acids, Alkalis & Metal Reactions	Acids, Alkalis & Metal Reactions	Acids, Alkalis & Metal Reactions	Acids, Alkalis & Metal Reactions
							Cycle assess	ment weeks	Data input		Y7 expedition		
Cycle 2	Forces & Motion	Forces & Motion	Forces & Motion	The Body	The Body	The Body	Revision	Revision & Assessment	Electricity & Magnetism	Electricity & Magnetism	Electricity & Magnetism	Chemical Reactions	Chemical Reactions
									Cycle assess	ment weeks	Y9 expedition		Recognition
Cycle 3	Pressure, Density & Moments	Pressure, Density & Moments	Pressure, Density & Moments	Health & Disease	Health & Disease	Health & Disease	Environmental Chemistry	Revision	Revision	Revision & Assessment	Environmental Chemistry	Genetics	Genetics



Year 9 Combined Science Long Term Plan (5 lessons per week with one teacher teaching biology, chemistry and physics)

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13
	Induction									Planning days	Y8 expedition		
Cycle 1	Induction (no lessons)	Waves	Waves	Waves	Environmental Chemistry	Environmental Chemistry	Genetics	Genetics	C1 Atomic Structure & Periodic Table	B1 Cell Biology			
							Cycle assess	ment weeks	Data input		Y7 expedition		
Cycle 2	B1 Cell Biology	B1 Cell Biology	B1 Cell Biology	P1 Energy	P1 Energy	P1 Energy	P1 Energy	Revision & Assessment	B2 Organisation	B2 Organisation	B2 Organisation	B2 Organisation	B2 Organisation
									Cycle assess	ment weeks	Y9 expedition		Recognition
Cycle 3	C2 Bonding	C2 Bonding	C2 Bonding	C2 Bonding	P3 Particle Model of Matter	P3 Particle Model of Matter	P3 Particle Model of Matter	Revision	Revision	Revision & Assessment	Working Scientifically	Working Scientifically	Working Scientifically



Year 9 Triple Science Long Term Plan (3 x biology, 2 x chemistry, 2 x physics per week)

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13
	Induction									Planning days	Y8 expedition		
Cycle 1	Induction (no lessons)	Genetics	Genetics	Genetics	B1 Cell Biology	B1 Cell Biology	B1 Cell Biology	B1 Cell Biology	B1 Cell Biology	B1 Cell Biology	B2 Organisation	B2 Organisation	B2 Organisation
		Environmental Chemistry	Environmental Chemistry	Environmental Chemistry	Environmental Chemistry	Environmental Chemistry	C1 Atomic Structure & Periodic Table						
		Waves	Waves	Waves	Waves	Waves	Waves	P1 Energy					
							Cycle assessment weeks		Data input		Y7 expedition		
Cycle 2	B2 Organisation	B2 Organisation	B2 Organisation	B2 Organisation	B2 Organisation	B3 Infection & Response	Revision	Revision & Assessment	B3 Infection & Response	B3 Infection & Response	B3 Infection & Response	B3 Infection & Response	B4 Bioenergetics
	C1 Atomic Structure & Periodic Table	C1 Atomic Structure & Periodic Table	C1 Atomic Structure & Periodic Table	C2 Bonding	C2 Bonding	C2 Bonding	Revision	Revision & Assessment	C2 Bonding				
	P1 Energy	P1 Energy	P1 Energy	P1 Energy	P3 Particle Model of Matter	P3 Particle Model of Matter	Revision	Revision & Assessment	P3 Particle Model of Matter				
									Cycle assess	ment weeks	Y9 expedition		Recognition
Cycle 3	B4 Bioenergetics	B4 Bioenergetics	B4 Bioenergetics	B5 Homeostasis and Response	B5 Homeostasis and Response	B5 Homeostasis and Response	B5 Homeostasis and Response	Revision	Revision	Revision & Assessment	B5 Homeostasis and Response	B5 Homeostasis and Response	B5 Homeostasis and Response
	C2 Bonding	C2 Bonding	C4 Chemical Changes	C4 Chemical Changes	C4 Chemical Changes	C4 Chemical Changes	C4 Chemical Changes	Revision	Revision	Revision & Assessment	C4 Chemical Changes	C4 Chemical Changes	C4 Chemical Changes
	P4 Atomic Structure	P4 Atomic Structure	P4 Atomic Structure	P4 Atomic Structure	P4 Atomic Structure	P4 Atomic Structure	P4 Atomic Structure	Revision	Revision	Revision & Assessment	Working Scientifically	Working Scientifically	Working Scientifically



Year 10 Combined Science Long Term Plan (2 x biology, 2 x chemistry, 2 x physics per week)

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13
	Induction									Planning days	Y8 expedition		
Cycle 1	Induction (no lessons)	B3 Infection & Response	B3 Infection & Response	B4 Bioenergetics	B4 Bioenergetics	B4 Bioenergetics	B4 Bioenergetics	B4 Bioenergetics	B4 Bioenergetics				
		C4 Chemical Changes	C4 Chemical Changes	C4 Chemical Changes	C3 Quantitative Chemistry	C3 Quantitative Chemistry	C3 Quantitative Chemistry	C3 Quantitative Chemistry	C3 Quantitative Chemistry				
		P3 Particle Model of Matter	P3 Particle Model of Matter	P4 Atomic Structure	P4 Atomic Structure	P4 Atomic Structure	P4 Atomic Structure	P4 Atomic Structure	P4 Atomic Structure				
							Cycle assess	ment weeks	Data input		Y7 expedition		
Cycle 2	B5 Homeostasis and Response	Revision	Revision	Revision & Assessment	B5 Homeostasis and Response	B5 Homeostasis and Response	B5 Homeostasis and Response	B5 Homeostasis and Response	B5 Homeostasis and Response				
	C3 Quantitative Chemistry	C3 Quantitative Chemistry	C5 Energy Changes	C5 Energy Changes	C5 Energy Changes	Revision	Revision	Revision & Assessment	C7 Organic Chemistry	C7 Organic Chemistry	C7 Organic Chemistry	C8 Chemical Analysis	C8 Chemical Analysis
	P2 Electricity	Revision	Revision	Revision & Assessment	P2 Electricity	P2 Electricity	P2 Electricity	P2 Electricity	P5 Forces				
									Cycle assess	ment weeks	Y9 expedition		Recognition
Cycle 3	B6 Inheritance, Variation and Evolution	Revision	Revision	Revision	Revision & Assessment	B6 Inheritance, Variation and Evolution	B6 Inheritance, Variation and Evolution	B6 Inheritance, Variation and Evolution					
	C9 Chemistry of the Atmosphere	C9 Chemistry of the Atmosphere	C9 Chemistry of the Atmosphere	C9 Chemistry of the Atmosphere	C10 Using Resources	C10 Using Resources	Revision	Revision	Revision	Revision & Assessment	C10 Using Resources	C10 Using Resources	C10 Using Resources
	P5 Forces	Revision	Revision	Revision	Revision & Assessment	P5 Forces	P5 Forces	P5 Forces					



Year 10 Triple Science Long Term Plan (3 x biology, 2 x chemistry, 3 x physics per week)

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13
Cycle 1	Induction									Planning days	Y8 expedition		
	Induction (no lessons)	B3 Infection & Response	B3 Infection & Response	B4 Bioenergetics	B4 Bioenergetics	B4 Bioenergetics	B4 Bioenergetics	B4 Bioenergetics	B4 Bioenergetics				
		C4 Chemical Changes	C4 Chemical Changes	C4 Chemical Changes	C3 Quantitative Chemistry	C3 Quantitative Chemistry	C3 Quantitative Chemistry	C3 Quantitative Chemistry	C3 Quantitative Chemistry				
		P4 Atomic Structure	P2 Electricity	P2 Electricity	P2 Electricity	P2 Electricity	P2 Electricity	P2 Electricity	P2 Electricity				
							Cycle assess	ment weeks	Data input		Y7 expedition		
Cycle 2	B5 Homeostasis and Response	Revision	Revision	Revision & Assessment	B5 Homeostasis and Response	B5 Homeostasis and Response	B5 Homeostasis and Response	B6 Inheritance, Variation and Evolution	B6 Inheritance, Variation and Evolution				
	C3 Quantitative Chemistry	C3 Quantitative Chemistry	C5 Energy Changes	C5 Energy Changes	C5 Energy Changes	Revision	Revision	Revision & Assessment	C7 Organic Chemistry	C7 Organic Chemistry	C7 Organic Chemistry	C8 Chemical Analysis	C8 Chemical Analysis
	P5 Forces	Revision	Revision	Revision & Assessment	P5 Forces	P5 Forces	P5 Forces	P5 Forces	P5 Forces				
								7	Cycle assess	ment weeks	Y9 expedition		Recognition
Cycle 3	B6 Inheritance, Variation and Evolution	Revision	Revision	Revision	Revision & Assessment	B7 Ecology	B7 Ecology	B7 Ecology					
	C9 Chemistry of the Atmosphere	C9 Chemistry of the Atmosphere	C9 Chemistry of the Atmosphere	C9 Chemistry of the Atmosphere	C10 Using Resources	C10 Using Resources	Revision	Revision	Revision	Revision & Assessment	C10 Using Resources	C10 Using Resources	C10 Using Resources
	P6 Waves	Revision	Revision	Revision	Revision & Assessment	P6 Waves	P6 Waves	P6 Waves					