Armfield Academy – Department of Science



Year 11 Physics Curriculum Overview



- Each lesson will start with a series of questions linked to both the previous lesson and topics studied previously.
- ✓ Formative assessment of skills linked to practical work will enable students to demonstrate their acquisition of new skills.
- ✓ Students are encouraged to consolidate learning at least once a week and seek tutor help if unsure on any topics.
- ✓ Within each unit, time will be allocated for consolidation and recall before assessment, this includes for mock exams.
- \checkmark The following questions will be explored within the units
- ✓ Content in blue is only taught to the A pathway (students on the triple science route)

| Half Term 1 | |
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| Date | Topic: Waves |
| WC 29/08 | Introduction to science (expectations, standards, health and safety, introduction of key skills and assessing prior knowledge). |
| WC 05/09 | What types of waves are there? |
| WC 12/09 | How do we represent waves? |
| WC 19/09 | How suitable is apparatus to measure the frequency, wavelength and speed of waves? Required practical: Waves |
| WC 26/09 | What happens when waves hit a surface? Required practical: Reflection |
| WC 03/10 | How do we use waves? |
| WC 10/10 | What is the electromagnetic spectrum? |
| Half Term 2 | |
| Date | Topic: Electricity and magnetism |
| WC 31/10 | What do magnetic fields look like? |
| WC 07/11 | How do you plot the magnetic field around a magnet? How do we know the Earth's core is magnetic? |
| WC 14/11 | How do we create a magnetic field using a current? What is Fleming's left-hand rule and how do we use it? How do electric motors? Calculate magnetic flux density? |
| WC 21/11 | How does a speaker work? How do we generate electricity? |
| WC 28/11 | How do we use the generator effect? How do transformers work? |
| WC 05/12 | Mock examinations |
| WC 12/12 | Half Term 3 |
| Date Topic: Space | |
| WC 02/01 | |
| WC 02/01 WC 09/01 | What is our place in the Universe? |
| WC 09/01 WC 16/01 | How did our Sun form and what will be its fate? How do satellites stay in orbit? |
| WC 18/01 WC 23/01 | What is the Big Bang theory? |
| WC 23/01 WC 30/01 | How do we know if the Universe is getting bigger or smaller? |
| WC 30/01 WC 06/02 | Reflect and review. |
| VVC 00/02 | Half Term 4 |
| Date | Topic: Consolidation |
| WC 20/02 | Why do we need energy? Why is energy transferred? How does energy change in a system? |
| WC 27/02 | Required practical: Specific heat capacity. |
| WC 06/03 | How are particles arranged? How do we calculate density? How do particles behave in solid, liquid and gas? |
| WC 13/03 | Required practical: Density |
| WC 20/03 | How do we draw electrical components? How can electricity be supplied? |
| WC 27/03 | Required practical: Series and parallel resistors. Required practical: I-V characteristics |
| Half Term 5 | |
| Date | Topic: Consolidation |
| WC 17/04 | Walking talking mocks |
| WC 24/04 | What are forces? |
| WC 01/05 | Equation retrieval and application |
| WC 08/05 | Required practical: Force and extension. |
| WC 15/05 | Required practical: Investigating force and acceleration. |
| WC 22/05 | What do we remember about waves? Required practical: Reflection |
| | What do we remember about electricity? What do we remember about space? |
| Data | Half Term 6 |
| Date | Topic: Exam season |
| WC 05/06 | |
| WC 12/06 | |
| WC 19/06 | |
| WC 26/06 | |
| WC 03/07 | |
| WC 10/07 | |
| WC 17/07 | |