KS3 - Science

	Autumn I	Autumn 2	Spring I	Spring 2	Summer I	Summer 2
Year 7	Introduction to KS3 Science What a scientist does, laboratory rules and safety and get an opportunity to work with a bunsen burner. Cells Basic structure of a cell, how to observe them using a microscope, cell adaptations and more. Speed Calculate the speed of an object and the ways to represent a journey using graphs. Gravity Representing forces in diagrams, gravity and gravitational fields.	 Particle Model States of matter and how they can change from one state to another. Separating Mixtures Methods used to separate different mixtures filtration, distillation and chromatography. Variation Variation in a species and how this can be measured or surveyed and the causes of variation. Human Reproduction Structures of the male and female reproductive systems, and the growth and development of the foetus. 	 Voltage Energy in electrical circuits and how it can be measured. Resistance & Current The flow of electrons around an electrical circuit and the idea of resistance in conductors and insulators. Sound Sound waves and how the properties of sound relates to the waves. Light How light behaves and how we perceive the world, including reflection, refraction and colour filters. 	Interdependence Food chains and webs and the availability of food in an ecosystem. Plant Reproduction The structures and adaptations of plants that allow them to reproduce using the wind, water and other animals or insects. Metals & non- metals The properties of metals and the many reactions they can undergo such as oxidation. Acids & Alkalis Acids, alkalis and indicators and where these can be found in the home, and how these chemicals can neutralise each other.	 Energy costs Energy in the home, energy efficiency and the cost of electricity. Energy transfer The different stores of energy and how energy can be transferred when changes happen. Earth Structure The structure of the earth and the properties and formation of different types of rocks. Universe The Earth in space and other objects such as stars, and how these objects in space move around. 	How science works How to present data in various tables and graphs, identify trends in data, draw conclusions and relate this to various experiments.
Year 8	 Periodic Table The periodic table and the patterns within it. Elements Elements, compounds and interesting materials such as polymers. Contact Forces The effects of forces on and between objects such as compression, friction and drag. Pressure Pressure, floating and sinking and how forces oppose each other.	 Breathing How we inhale and exhale, and the effects of asthma and other respiratory diseases. Digestion The digestive system, diet, nutrition and the effects of an unbalanced diet. Chemical Energy Reaction energy and the role of catalysts. Types of Reaction Types of reactions such as combustion and thermal decomposition. 	 Magnetism Magnetic fields and how magnetic poles attract and repel. Electromagnetism Magnetic fields caused by wires carrying a current and the uses of electromagnets. Evolution Natural selection and evolution and the importance of biodiversity. Inheritance Chromosomes and DNA, and how to model inheritance using diagrams. 	Respiration Aerobic respiration, anaerobic respiration and fermentation. Photosynthesis Photosynthesis and the plant adaptations that make photosynthesis more efficient. Climate The Earth's climate, the carbon cycle and climate change. Earth's Resources Such as fossil fuels, metal ores and water, the extraction process and the importance of recycling.	 Work Using forces to transfer energy, calculating 'work done' and using machines and other objects which act as force multipliers. Heating & Cooling Thermal energy, insulation and how thermal energy relates to temperature. Wave Effects How ultrasound and UV can be used practically, and how sound equipment works. Wave Properties The differences between longitudinal and transverse waves, and what happens when waves combine. 	How science works Planning investigations and assessing experiments with an eye for safety, fair testing and appropriate equipment.
Year 9	B5 Communicable Disease Pathogens, how they can travel between	B6 Preventing Disease How vaccination and immunisation works, how old drugs	B7 Non-communicable diseases How our lifestyles affect our risk of	B18 Biodiversity and Ecosystems The importance of biodiversity and the	How Science Works The scientific method as a whole - starting from the principles	Exam Technique, Revision and Assessments Common revision techniques, reviewing

people and the diseases they cause.

C12 Chemical Analysis

The tests used to separate and detect specific chemicals.

C13 The Earth's Atmosphere The Earth's historic and current atmosphere, greenhouse gases and climate change. were discovered and how new drugs are developed.

CI4 The Earth's Finite

Resources The limited resources on Earth and how we reuse those resources through water treatment and recycling. developing noncommunicable diseases such as cancer and diabetes.

C5 Chemical Changes The reactivity series, reactions involving

reactions involving acids that produce various salts and neutralisation. effects of the human population on the world in the form of land, air and water pollution.

P2 Energy Transfer by Heating How thermal conductivity and specific heat capacity, as well as how to insulate the home.

B17 Organising an Ecosystem Interdependence in an ecosystem, in the form of food webs, the water cycle and the carbon cycle. of making good scientific predictions, risk assessments,, fair testing and data analysis/presentation.

How to draw conclusions from data and evaluate their own experiments for accuracy and identify errors.

Consider reliability, reproducibility and the importance of peer review. exam-style questions and undergoing both 'content' and 'skill' assessments.