

## KS4 Curriculum Overview **(Combined SCIENCE Trilogy)**

### **YEAR 10**

| TERM 1 TOPIC/s                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | *Key Skills/Subject Links                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | *Career links & BV                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Biology</b></p> <p><b>Disease and bioenergetics:</b><br/> <b>B6</b> Preventing and treating disease (continued)<br/> <b>B7</b> Non-communicable diseases</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chemistry</b></p> <p><b>Chemical reactions and energy changes:</b><br/> <b>C6</b> Electrolysis (continued)<br/> <b>C7</b> Energy changes</p> <p><b>Physics</b></p> <p><b>Particles at work:</b><br/> <b>P4</b> Electric circuits</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Biology</b></p> <p>Stages involved in testing and trialing new drugs.<br/> Evaluate the effect of lifestyle choices on diseases such as obesity, diabetes, cancer, and COPD.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chemistry</b></p> <p>Bond energy calculations.<br/> Identification of everyday applications of endothermic and exothermic reactions.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Physics</b></p> <p>Circuit design.<br/> Calculations involving power, resistance p.d, current and charge flow.</p> <p><b>Physics Link</b> – Ionising radiation, energy transfers.<br/> <b>PE Link</b> – Sports injuries, winter sports.<br/> <b>Health and Social Care</b> – Pregnancy.<br/> <b>Math Link</b> – subject of the formula, standard form, significant figures.</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Career links</b></p> <p>Product design, Chrome plater, telecommunications industry.<br/> Electrician, product design, electronics, electrical engineer.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>British Values</b></p> <p><b>Individual liberty:</b><br/> Enforced/voluntary Isolation to prevent the spread of communicable diseases, e.g., Ebola, cholera, covid.<br/> <b>Rule of Law:</b><br/> Regulations regarding development and use of new drugs.<br/> <b>Individual liberty:</b><br/> Opportunity to discuss lifestyle choices and disease.</p> |

| TERM 2 TOPIC/s                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | *Key Skills/Subject Links                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | *Career links & BV                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Biology</b></p> <p><b>Disease and bioenergetics:</b><br/> <b>B7</b> Non-communicable diseases (continued)<br/> <b>B8</b> Photosynthesis</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chemistry</b></p> <p><b>Chemical reactions and energy changes:</b><br/> <b>C7</b> Energy changes (continued)<br/> <b>Atoms, bonding, and moles:</b><br/> <b>C4</b> Chemical calculations</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Physics</b></p> <p><b>Particles at work:</b><br/> <b>P5</b> Electricity in the home</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Biology</b></p> <p>Practical skills:<br/> Investigating photosynthesis.<br/> Testing a leaf for starch.<br/> Evaluating the interaction of factors of photosynthesis.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chemistry</b></p> <p>Using balanced equations, to calculate reacting masses.<br/> Evaluating the effect of limiting reactants on products.<br/> Expressing concentrations.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Physics</b></p> <p>Wiring a plug.<br/> Choosing a fuse.<br/> Comparing appliances that do the same job.</p> <p><b>Biology Link</b> – Artificial heart.<br/> <b>Math Link</b> – manipulation of data, unit conversion.</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Career links</b></p> <p>Food production industry, farming, horticulture.<br/> Pharmaceutical industry.<br/> Electrician, electrical engineer.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>British Values</b></p> <p><b>Rule of Law:</b><br/> Regulations regarding the National Grid and delivering energy to homes.<br/> Students follow laboratory rules for the safety of all.</p> |

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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Biology</b></p> <p><b>Disease and bioenergetics:</b><br/> <b>B8</b> Photosynthesis (continued)<br/> <b>B9</b> Respiration<br/> <b>Biological responses:</b><br/> <b>B10</b> The human nervous system</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chemistry</b></p> <p><b>Atoms, bonding, and moles:</b><br/> <b>C4</b> Chemical calculations (continued)<br/> <b>Rates, equilibrium, and organic chemistry:</b><br/> <b>C8</b> Rates and equilibrium</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Physics</b></p> <p><b>Forces in action:</b><br/> <b>P8</b> Forces in balance</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Biology</b></p> <p>Practical skills:<br/> Investigating respiration<br/> Understanding and interpreting breathing rate and heart rate graphs.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chemistry</b></p> <p>Practical skills:<br/> Investigating rates of reaction.<br/> Understanding and interpreting rate of reaction graphs.<br/> Explain links between collision theory and the effect of surface area, temperature, concentration, pressure, and the effect of a catalyst.<br/> Application of Le Chatalier's Principle in equilibrium mixtures.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Physics</b></p> <p>Application of math skills to situations where forces are in balance.</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Career links</b></p> <p>Sports scientist, sports performance analyst, medical profession, sports medicine, personal fitness instructor.<br/> Analytical chemist, chemical manufacturer.<br/> Architect, mechanical engineer, gymnast, pilot, vehicle design.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>British Values</b></p> <p><b>Rule of Law:</b><br/> Students follow laboratory rules for the safety of all.</p> |

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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Biology</b></p> <p><b>Ecology:</b><br/> <b>B15</b> Adaptations, interdependence, and competition</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chemistry</b></p> <p><b>Rates, equilibrium, and organic chemistry:</b><br/> <b>C9</b> Crude oil and fuels</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Physics</b></p> <p><b>Forces in action:</b><br/> <b>P10</b> Force and Motion</p>                                                                                     | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Biology</b></p> <p>Use of quadrats to measure the distribution of living things.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chemistry</b></p> <p>Carry out fractional distillation.<br/> Testing the products of combustion.<br/> Testing of unsaturated hydrocarbons.<br/> Recognise the general formula of alkanes and alkenes.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Physics</b></p> <p>Practical skills:<br/> Investigating forces and</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Career links</b></p> <p>Botanist, Biomedical engineer. Industrial chemist, petrochemical industry. Vehicle crash test engineer, Road safety data analyst, Car manufacturing.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>British Values</b></p> <p><b>Rule of Law:</b><br/> Students learn about the need to regulate road worthiness of vehicles (MOT), the need for speed limits and safety features e.g., seatbelts and airbags.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

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|  | <p>elasticity, Graph plotting with lines of best fit. Identifying relationships between variables.</p> <p><b>Math Link</b> – Mean, median and mode.</p> | <p>Regulations concerning oil refining and reduction of air pollution.</p> <p><b>Mutual respect and tolerance:</b></p> <p>The opportunity to debate the Importance of oil to society.</p> |
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