



Curriculum Overview for Science

<u>Year 8</u>

Half Term 1: Investigations in a New Context	Article homework – reading for meaning, Model reading and
This is a slightly different unit to normal where the pupils apply what	highlighting to pick out key details,
they have learnt up to now to new contexts which all include a	reading of data, Skim reading
practical investigation.	\sim
Substantive Knowledge:	Adaptation, Convection, Radiation,
Adaptations	Insulate, Trend, Collision, Particle,
Heat transfer	Force, Pendulum, Risk, Diffusion,
Particle model	Thermal, Energy, Population,
Collision theory	Bioindicator
Forces	Decell test
Diffusion	Recall test Written Assessment
Disciplinary Knowledge:	
Planning a practical	
Sequencing a method	
Safely completing a practical	Article Homework to promote
Collection of data	Article Homework to promote reading like a scientist
Plotting graphs	Revise for recall test
Analysing data	Optional revision for written
	assessment and wish tasks when
	complete.
Half Term 2: GCSE Biology (1 lesson per week)	Article homework – reading for
Substantive Knowledge:	meaning, Model reading and
Cell structure	highlighting to pick out key details,
Microscopy	reading of data, Skim reading
Disciplinary Knowledge:	
Writing comparisons	Adaptation, Convection, Radiation,
Using a microscope	Insulate, Trend, Collision, Particle, Force, Pendulum, Risk, Diffusion,
<u>Half Term 2: GCSE Chemistry (1 lesson per week)</u>	Thermal, Energy, Population,
Substantive Knowledge:	Bioindicator
Atomic structure	Recall test
Electron configuration	Written Assessment
Development of the atom	
Disciplinary Knowledge:	
Writing comparisons	
Development of models using evidence	Article Homework to promote
Half Term 2: GCSE Physics (1 lesson per week)	reading like a scientist Revise for recall test
Substantive Knowledge:	Optional revision for written
Energy stores	assessment and wish tasks when
Energy transfers	complete.
Transfer chains and Sankey diagrams	
Disciplinary Knowledge:	
Making calculations	
Representing unseen concepts	

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