Combined Science

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Curriculum Intent: To ensure students maintain and develop their curiosity and excitement about the natural world. To develop all to be `scientists` by embedding a culture of confidence and mastery underpinned by scientific enquiry. To develop their ability to see connections between science subject areas and become aware of some of the big ideas for understanding the world. To provide a high challenge, high quality Science education for all our learners.

Core Knowledge	Procedural Knowledge
Topics:	Students will:
	Use scientific theories and explanations to
Biology	develop hypothesis
The environment, Feeding humans and	Evaluate methods and suggest possible
disease.	improvements
	Apply a knowledge of sampling techniques
Chemistry	to ensure any samples collected are
Monitoring and controlling reactions,	representative
Organic chemistry including oil, Earth	Apply a knowledge of a range of
systems	techniques, apparatus and materials to
	select those appropriate for both field work
Physics	and for experiments
Power and efficiency, Powering the Earth,	Translate data from one form to another
work done and Physics on the move	Represent distributions of results and make
	estimates of uncertainty
	Carry out and represent mathematical and
	statistical analysis
	Explain everyday technological
	applications of science
	Use a variety of concepts and models to
	develop scientific explanations
	Appreciate the power of limitations of
	science and consider ethical issues

Homework: One homework will be set for every four hours of learning and take approximately 45 minutes to complete. There will be a variety of homework tasks which could include revision for assessments, recap, and review of core learning, Kerboodle quizzes, past paper questions, A4P tasks etc

Assessment:

In Y10 there will be five end of Unit Tests

There are also two TSAT exams.

In Y11 there will be five Unit Tests

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Links to Personal Development:

Enabling students to recognise risks to their own wellbeing.

Social development: Practise using a range of social skills in different situations. Confidence, Resilience & Knowledge: Mentally healthy, physically healthy, active lifestyle, healthy relationships

How is my knowledge developed further at Key Stage Five (Y12 and Y13)?

Knowledge and skills gained through the Combined Science course are a starting point for further study at KS5. The GCSE Combined Science course builds on the core concepts learnt at KS3, adding the level of detail and complexity required to access KS5 study.