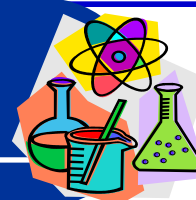


GCSE Sciences at Sir John Colfox Academy



AQA Science Courses?

Science has something to offer every student, whatever their interests or ability which is why we offer both the AQA Separate science courses of GCSE Biology, Chemistry and Physics as well as the double award GCSE Combined Science - Trilogy option.

Both of these GCSE courses offer students the opportunities to continue science to A level and beyond.

AQA GCSE Science Trilogy Course

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Chemistry

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12. [Energy changes](#) (page 95)
13. [The rate and extent of chemical change](#) (page 98)
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Students gain practical skills throughout their GCSE courses and students are required to undertake a range of practical tasks as part of their GCSE studies. These will be assessed in each of their six exams

We provide each student with a practical skills booklet in Biology, Chemistry and Physics at the start of their studies to allow them to use this for revision at the end of year 11.

We also have a transition unit on the maths skills that students need at the start of their GCSE helping student with key maths skills they will face studying Science.

There are six papers each is 1 hour and 15 minutes in length. Biology 1 & 2, Chemistry 1& 2 and Physics 1 & 2. Each of the papers will assess knowledge and understanding from distinct topic areas.

What personal attributes does studying Science develop

practical
numerate
hard working
independent
articulate
resilience
inquisitive
motivated



Which careers and degree courses can Sciences lead you to?

GCSE Biology

- Analytical chemist
- Astrophysicist
- Pathologist
- Forensic scientist
- Chemical engineer
- Environmental scientist
- Cosmetic scientist
- Medicine
- Dentistry
- Optician
- Marine chemist/biologist

- Pharmacy
- Biochemist
- Toxicologist
- Teaching
- Journalism
- Science advisors
- Lab technicians
- Law
- Engineering
- Food technologist
- Vet

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GCSE Chemistry



GCSE Physics

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8. [Space physics \(physics only\)](#) (page 72)

There are two papers for each of the Separate GCSE science courses. Each paper is 1 hour and 45 minutes in length.

Biology 1 & 2, Chemistry 1& 2 and Physics 1 & 2. Each of the papers will assess knowledge and understanding from distinct topic areas.