## ASHTON COMMUNITY SCIENCE COLLEGE: SCIENCE CURRICULUM



Year 8						
	Half term 1	Half term 2	Half term 3	Half term 4	Half term 5	Half term 6
Knowledge	Science Skills Review Lessons  Biology: Movement  Q How does our body move?  Biology: Digestion  Q What happens to the food that we eat?  BIO TEST 1  Physics: Energy Transfers  Q If energy cannot be destroyed where does it go?	Physics: Energy Costs  Q How much does it cost to run a home?  PHYS TEST 1  Chemistry: Atomic Structure  Q Everything in the world is made from tiny particles called atoms, but what are atoms made from?  Chemistry: Periodic Table  Q What does the position of an element on the periodic table tell you about the element?  CHEM TEST 1	Physics: Gravity  Q Why would you weigh less on the Moon than the Earth?  Physics: The Universe How can the movement of objects in space explain life experiences for us on Earth?  PHYS TEST 2  Biology: Inheritance, Variation and Evolution  Q Where do our differences come from?  Q Where does a new species come from?  BIO TEST 2	Physics: Contact Forces  Q How can you make an object change speed, change shape or change direction?  Physics: Speed  Q How do you know how fast you are travelling on a journey?  Physics: Pressure  Q Why don't camels sink into the sand in the desert?  PHYS TEST 3	Chemistry: Chemical Reactions  Q Everything in the world is made from tiny particles called atoms. What happens to these atoms when substances react together?  Chemistry: Acids and Alkalis  Q A bee sting is acidic and a wasp sting is alkaline - or is it the other way round? How can we find out?  Chemistry: Chemical Energy  Q What energy changes take place during a	Biology: Photosynthesis  Q Could humans survive without plants?  Biology: Interdependence Q Why is biodiversity important?  BIO TEST 3  Physics: Heating and Cooling Q How can heat be transferred?  Physics: Wave Properties and Wave Effects Q What is the Electromagnetic Spectrum and why are the parts of it both useful and dangerous?  PHYS TEST 4
Skills/ application of knowledge  Links to prior learning	Movement: The Skeleton, Muscles, Joints, Dissection, Arthritis.  Digestion: Food Groups and Balanced Diets, The Digestive System, Enzymes, Energy in Food, Orange Juice Titration. Energy Transfers: Different Types of Energy, Energy Transfers, Energy Stores, Wasted Energy, Efficiency.   • KS2 Animals, including humans • Year 7 Cells • Year 7 Respiration	Energy Costs: Energy Resources, Alternative Energy Resources, Joule Island, Energy Usage, Electricity Bills, Energy in Food.  Atomic Structure: Atomic Structure, Electron Configuration, History of the Atom.  Periodic Table: Structure of the Periodic Table, History of the Periodic Table, Group 1, Group 7, Group 0.  • Year 7 Particle Model • Year 7 Elements and Compounds	Gravity: Mass vs Weight, Gravity.  The Universe: Stars and Galaxies, The Solar System, Eclipses, Days and Nights, Seasons, Space Exploration. Inheritance, Variation and Evolution: Causes of Variation, Continuous and Discontinuous Variation, Natural Selection, Darwin's Finches, Extinction, Biodiversity.  • KS2 Evolution and Inheritance • KS2 Living things and habitats	Contact Forces: Forces, Balanced and Unbalanced Forces, Resultant Forces. Floating and Sinking, Friction, Streamlining, Stretching. Speed: Resultant Forces, Calculating Speed, Investigating Speed, Distance Speed Graphs. Pressure: Pressure, Pressure Calculations, Pressure in Fluids, Hydraulics.   KS2 Forces KS2 Forces and Magnets	chemical reaction?  CHEM TEST 2  Chemical Reactions: Chemical and Physical Changes, Combustion, Thermal Decomposition, Displacement, Conservation of Mass, Balancing Equations. Acids and Alkalis: Identifying Acids and Alkalis; Ihe pH scale, Making an Indicator, Neutralisation, Applications of Neutralisation. Chemical Energy: Exothermic and Endothermic Reactions, Catalysts, Energy Levels.  KS2 Properties and changes of materials Year 7 Metals	Photosynthesis: Photosynthesis, Structure of the Leaf, Testing a Leaf for Starch, Rate of Photosynthesis. Interdependence: Food Chains, Food Webs, Factors Affecting Populations, Bioaccumulation. Heating and Cooling: Heat and Temperature, Conduction, Convection, Radiation, Insulation, Specific Heat Capacity. Wave Properties and Wave Effects: Types of Waves, Wave Calculations, The Electromagnetic Spectrum, Ultrasound.  KS2 Plants KS2 Living things and habitats KS2 Animals, including humans
Assessment	Biology 1 Assessment Digestion CAP	Physics 1 Assessment Chemistry 1 Assessment	<ul> <li>KS2 Earth and space</li> <li>KS2 Forces</li> <li>Physics 2 Assessment</li> <li>Biology 2 Assessment</li> </ul>	Physics 3 Assessment	Chemistry 2 Assessment	Biology 3 Assessment Physics 4 Assessment End of Year Exams