



18 April 2024

Dear Parents/ Carers,

As we enter the final term of year 9, we must now determine the most appropriate GCSE Science pathway for your child to study. There are 2 science pathways, Triple Science and Combined Science. Both pathways follow the AQA specification and allow all science subjects to be studied post-16, through either A-level or BTEC Applied Science.

In the week beginning **13th May** your child will sit 3 science assessments that will be used to finalise our decision about which is the most appropriate pathway for them. Please see the table below for the content that will be assessed in each assessment.

Lesson	Assessment	Content
1	Biology	Cells, Organisation Bioenergetics (Photosynthesis & respiration)
2	Chemistry	Atomic structure and the periodic table, Structure and bonding & Conservation
3	Physics	Energy, Particles & Forces

In the week beginning 8th April your child's science teachers have issued revision booklets that should be used for the completion of structured revision homework set weekly by their teachers, we call a revision count down. These resources are focused around the content and skills your child needs to learn for the assessments.

If you have any questions about the assessments, please contact your child's science teacher.

Yours Sincerely,

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