

Curriculum Map – Year 8 – Chemistry (2023-24)

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Topic name	Term	Skills developed	Link to NC subject content and beyond	Prior learning	Next link in curriculum
Atoms, Elements & Compounds	Autumn	 Collecting data Analyse patterns Justify opinions Review theories Draw conclusions Make observations Estimate risks Plan variables Test hypotheses Construct explanations Discuss limitations 	 Differences between atoms, elements and compounds Chemical symbols and formulae for elements and introduced to the formula for compounds The structure of the atom including the subatomic particles The properties of subatomic particles Electron configuration Using the periodic table to determine atomic structure The varying physical and chemical properties of different elements The properties of metals and non-metals Elements can combine in a Chemical reaction to make compounds How do we name compounds? Representing reactions with simple word equations 	 Prior Knowledge from KS2 Students should be able to: Compare and group together everyday materials on the basis of their properties, including their hardness, solubility, transparency, conductivity (electrical and thermal), and response to magnets. Give reasons, based on evidence from comparative and fair tests, for the particular uses of everyday materials, including metals, wood and plastic. Compare and group materials together, according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases. Identify the part played by evaporation and condensation in the water cycle and associate the rate of evaporation with temperature. 	 Y8 Spring: Links to GCSE Topic 1 – Atomic structure & the Periodic Table Year 9: Atomic structure Atoms, Elements, Mixtures & Compounds Development of the periodic table Trends in group 1, 7, & 0 Properties of alkali vs transition metals Separating mixtures Links to GCSE Topic 8 – Chemical Analysis Year 10: Pure and impure substances



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Separating Mixtures	Spring	 Collecting data Analyse patterns Review theories Draw conclusions Make observations Estimate risks Plan variables Test hypotheses Construct explanations Discuss limitations 	 Mixtures, including dissolving and solubility Using techniques for separating mixtures: filtration, evaporation, distillation and chromatography Evaluating techniques for separating mixtures: filtration, evaporation, distillation and chromatography The identification of pure substances 	Prior Knowledge from KS2 Know that some materials will dissolve in liquid to form a solution, and describe how to recover a substance from a solution Use knowledge of solids, liquids and gases to decide how mixtures might be separated, including through filtering, sieving and evaporating	 Y8 Spring: Introduction to bonding Links to GCSE Topic 1 – Atomic structure & the Periodic Table Year 10: Separating mixtures Links to GCSE Topic 8 – Chemical Analysis Year 10: Pure and impure substances
The Periodic Table	Summer	 Collecting data Analyse patterns Justify opinions Review theories Draw conclusions Make observations Estimate risks Plan variables Test hypotheses Construct explanations Discuss limitations 	 The principles underpinning the Mendeleev periodic table The periodic table: periods and groups; metals and non-metals How patterns in reactions can be predicted with reference to the periodic table Trends in physical properties Explaining trends in reactivity in group 1, 7, and 0 	 Prior Knowledge from KS3 Y8 Atoms, Elements & Compounds topic: Structure of the atom and the properties of the subatomic particles Electron Configuration Y8 Introduction to Bonding: Why do elements react? Ionic bonding Covalent bonding 	 Y8 Spring: The Periodic Table Links to GCSE Topic 1 – Atomic structure & the Periodic Table Year 10: Atomic structure Group 1, 7 & 0# Links to GCSE topic 2 – Structure & Bonding Year 10: Why do elements react? Ionic Bonding Covalent bonding