

# Why Choose GCSE Separate Science?

**GCSE Separate Science** will develop your understanding of scientific ideas. You will use your detailed knowledge to consider how science is applied and used in the home, industry and in the environment. You will plan and carry out investigations and learn to evaluate your data. You will also use your scientific knowledge to discuss the benefits and drawbacks of scientific and technological developments.

## Year 10

### Biology (Unit 1)

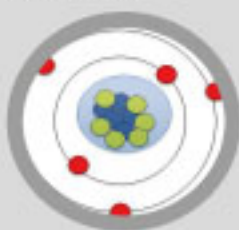
- Cells and movement across membranes
- Respiration and the respiratory system in humans
- Digestion and the digestive system in humans
- Circulatory system in humans
- Plants and photosynthesis
- Ecosystems, nutrient cycles and human impact on the environment

### Chemistry (Unit 1)

- The nature of substances and chemical reactions
- Atomic structure and the Periodic Table
- Water
- The ever-changing Earth
- Rate of chemical change
- Limestone

### Physics (Unit 1)

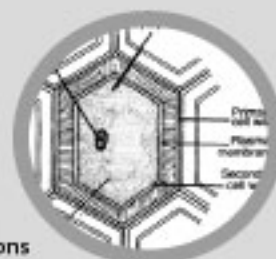
- Electric circuits
- Generating electricity
- Making use of energy
- Domestic electricity
- Features of waves, total internal reflection of waves and seismic waves
- Kinetic theory
- Electromagnetism



## Year 11

### Biology (Unit 2)

- Classification and biodiversity
- Cell division and stem cells
- DNA and inheritance
- Variation and evolution
- Response and regulation
- Kidneys and homeostasis
- Micro-organisms and their applications
- Disease, defence and treatment

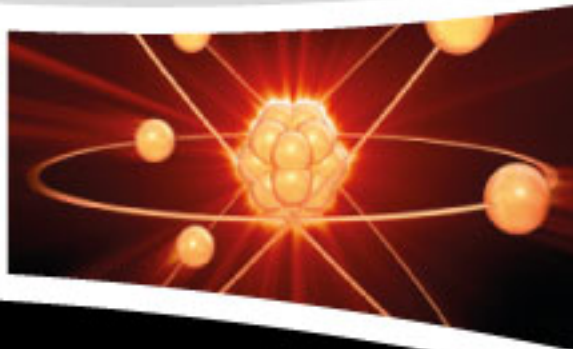


### Chemistry (Unit 2)

- Bonding, structure and properties
- Acids, bases and salts
- Metals and their extraction
- Chemical reactions and energy
- Crude oil, fuels and carbon compounds
- Reversible reactions, industrial processes and important chemicals

### Physics (Unit 2)

- Distance, speed and acceleration
- Newton's laws and further motion concepts
- Work and energy
- Stars, planets and the Universe
- Types of radiation
- Half-life, nuclear decay and nuclear energy



**At Alun School,**  
our experienced teaching team provide expert guidance and tuition.

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## Assessment Information

Examining Board: WJEC

Accreditation: GCSE Biology    GCSE Chemistry    GCSE Physics  
Grades A\* - G (in each subject) Higher Tier: Grades A\* - D Foundation Tier: C - G

**Year 10: Unit 1 - Biology    Unit 1 - Chemistry    Unit 1 - Physics**

(1 hour 45 minutes written examinations for each subject that make up 45% of qualification)

**Year 11: Unit 2 - Biology    Unit 2 - Chemistry    Unit 2 - Physics**

(1 hour 45 minutes written examinations for each subject that make up 45% of qualification)

**Unit 3: Practical Examination: Obtaining Results and Analysing and Evaluating Results.**

The practical assessment is untiered and will take place Jan/Feb of Year 11. You will be able to demonstrate your experimental and analytical skills through working scientifically.

(10% of qualification)

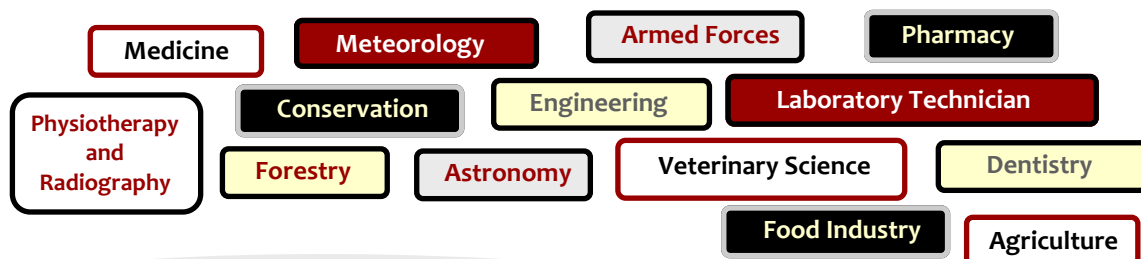
## Who is suitable for this course?

To be successful you will be required to be working at a very high level in Science in Year 9. You will also need to be highly motivated, hard-working and enjoy your science lessons.

## Why should I take this course?

A knowledge and understanding of science is important for all aspects of everyday life.

GCSE Science is will give you an excellent grounding for opportunities within:



## Future Options

After studying GCSE Separate Science you could:

Study Advanced Level Biology, Chemistry or Physics at Sixth Form;

Study for a degree in a science-related course or other subject at university;

Get a job within a field of science.

## For Further Information

Please contact the Science department.

