**THE SCIENCE DEPARTMENT**

Science is a popular and successful subject with a good uptake at A-Level and a strong tradition of sending pupils to study Science-based courses, including Medicine and Veterinary Science, at University.

The Science Department is staffed by 9 teachers and 3 technicians. Science staff are expected to teach across the full age and ability range and to teach out of their specialism at KS3 and 4. There are nine laboratories each equipped with laptop projection facilities, allowing each member of staff to teach in one place.

Science is taught in banded groups in Years 7 and 8. The KS3 curriculum is delivered in short topics using in-house schemes of work.

At KS4 we offer the more able students the opportunity to study the three Separate GCSE courses and the remainder follow the AQA Combined Science Trilogy course. The Combined Science students are taught in higher and foundation bands.

For the A level courses, Biology follows the Edexcel / Pearson spec B syllabus, Chemistry follows the OCR course and Physics follow the AQA course.

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