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	Topic	Knowledge: By the end of the unit students will know:	Skills: What skills will students have developed by the end of this unit?	Key terms: What new key terms and vocabulary will be learnt in this unit?	Summative Assessment: How will pupils be assessed in this unit?
Michaelmas 1	Health and lifestyle	<p>Explain what makes a food a healthy option.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Explain how each nutrient contributes to a healthy, balanced diet. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Interpret nutritional information to make health comparisons between foods. <p>Explain how an unhealthy diet causes health issues.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Explain that different people require different amounts of energy using energy calculations and data to support explanations. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Interpret experimental data and suggest ways to improve the experiment. - Explain how an unhealthy diet causes health issues. - Explain that different people require different amounts of energy, using energy calculations and data to support explanations. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Interpret experimental data and suggest ways to improve 	<p>Interpret observations and data, including identifying patterns and using observations, measurements, and data to draw conclusions.</p> <p>📄 Interpret Observations and Data</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify patterns in observations and measurements. • Use data to draw conclusions based on evidence. <p>📄 Make and Record Observations and Measurements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employ a range of methods for different investigations (e.g., surveys, experiments). • Evaluate the reliability of these methods and suggest possible improvements. <p>📄 Present Observations and Data</p>	<p>Absorb Movement of a substance across a cell membrane</p> <p>Active site Region of an enzyme where the chemical reaction takes place</p> <p>Carbohydrate Food group used as a source of energy</p> <p>Catalyst Chemical that speeds up a reaction</p> <p>Denature Change the shape of the enzymes active site</p> <p>Digestive enzyme Enzymes which speed up the process of digest</p> <p>Enzyme Protein which acts as a biological catalyst</p> <p>Lipid Other name for fats, needed as a source of energy</p>	End of unit assessment

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		<p>Give a structured account of digestion using information gathered by research.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Explain how each part of the digestive system works in sequence, including adaptations of the small intestine for its function. - Explain why food needs to be digested <p>Explain how enzymes affect the rate of digestion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Explain how some bacteria improve health. - Record experimental data using a suitable results table, and evaluate the quality of the data obtained. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Explain why people take different medicinal and recreational drugs. - Explain how recreational drugs can have a negative effect on people's lifestyles. - Record accurate and detailed observations from an experiment to draw detailed conclusions, and evaluate methods. <p>Explain in detail how alcohol affects health and behaviour,</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use appropriate methods to present data, including tables and graphs for clarity. 	<p>Product Chemical made during a reaction</p> <p>Protein Food group needed for growth and repair</p> <p>Substrate Other name for reactant, starting chemical in a reaction</p>	
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	<p>Periodic table</p>	<p>detailing its effect on life processes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Explain the importance of providing information about drinking to the general public, not just pregnant women <p>Explain how smoking causes diseases.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Explain which chemicals in tobacco smoke affect the development of a fetus. - Interpret and present secondary data in an appropriate manner, drawing conclusions, and extrapolating data from trends shown. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ☑ Differentiate between metallic and non-metallic properties of metalloids. ☑ Predict Properties of an Element: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use an element's position on the Periodic Table to forecast its properties. ☑ Identify Anomalous Properties: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognize materials that exhibit unusual properties compared to expected trends. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☑ Classify Properties of Metalloids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Metalloids exhibit both metallic and non-metallic properties, such as being semiconductors. ☑ Predict the Properties of an Element: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Given its position on the Periodic Table, you can infer 	<p>Periodic table Table that shows all the elements.</p> <p>Metals Shiny elements which conduct electricity and heat well & often have high melting and boiling points.</p> <p>Non-metals A substance that is not a metal. Non-</p>	<p>End of unit assessment</p>
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		<p>☑ Explain Element Position and Properties:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss how the location of an element on the Periodic Table can indicate its properties. <p>☑ Apply Patterns to Unknown Elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilize trends from known elements within groups or periods to make predictions about unknown elements. <p>☑ Explain Missing Values Using Numerical Trends:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Justify predictions of missing data by analyzing trends, and compare these trends across different groups and periods. <p>☑ Describe Patterns in Group 1 Elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analyze and articulate the patterns in properties of Group 1 elements using provided data. <p>☑ Compare Predictions with Evidence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assess the accuracy of predictions regarding Group 1 reactivity by comparing them with experimental results. <p>☑ Use Observations to Explain Reactivity Trends:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relate experimental observations to explain trends in reactivity among Group 1 elements, including 	<p>properties like reactivity and conductivity.</p> <p>☑ Identify Anomalous Properties:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some materials may display unexpected properties that don't fit typical classifications of metals or non-metals. <p>☑ Explain Position of Elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The position in the Periodic Table suggests properties like electronegativity and atomic radius. <p>☑ Apply Patterns to Unknown Elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use trends from known elements in groups or periods to predict properties of unknown elements. <p>☑ Explain Prediction of Missing Values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use numerical trends to estimate missing values and compare trends across groups and periods 	<p>metals are not shiny and do not conduct heat and electricity well.</p> <p>Atom The smallest part of an element.</p> <p>Element All the atoms in an element are the same. A substance that cannot be split up into anything simpler by chemical reactions.</p>	
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		<p>writing balanced chemical equations for reactions.</p> <p>☒ Explain Predictions for Group 7 Elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide rationale for any predictions made regarding the properties of Group 7 elements. <p>☒ Write Word Equations for Displacement Reactions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Formulate word equations to illustrate the processes occurring in displacement reactions involving Group 7 elements. <p>☒ Suggest Sources for Risk Information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify resources to learn about the risks associated with Group 7 elements and methods for managing those risks. <p>☒ Link Group 0 Properties:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Connect properties of Group 0 elements to their chemical and physical characteristics. <p>☒ Compare Trends Across Groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Analyze and compare the trends of Group 0 with those of Groups 1 and 7. <p>☒ Predict Missing Data:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Explain how to infer missing data points by utilizing information from other elements.			
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<p>Michaelmas 2</p>	<p>Separation techniques</p>	<p>Identify Anomalous Properties:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some materials may display unexpected properties that don't fit the typical classification as metals or non-metals. <p>☒ Explain Position of Elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The position of an element in the Periodic Table can indicate its properties, such as electronegativity and atomic radius. <p>☒ Apply Patterns to Unknown Elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use known trends in groups or periods to predict properties of unknown elements based on their position. <p>☒ Predict Missing Values:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use numerical trends to estimate missing values and compare similar trends between groups and periods <p>☒ Use Particle Models to Represent Mixtures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create models that illustrate how particles in mixtures are not chemically bonded and retain their individual properties. 	<p><u>Chemistry</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mixtures, including dissolving. The identification of pure substances. <p><u>WS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interpret observations and data, including identifying patterns and using observations, measurements, and data to draw conclusions. <p><u>Chemistry</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mixtures, including dissolving. <p><u>WS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Select, plan, and carry out the most appropriate types of scientific enquiries to test predictions, including identifying independent, dependent, and control variables, where appropriate. <p><u>Chemistry</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Simple techniques for separating mixtures: filtration, evaporation. <p><u>WS</u></p>	<p>Compound</p> <p>Two or more different particles chemically bonded</p> <p>Mixture</p> <p>Two or more different substances not chemically bonded</p> <p>Diffusion</p> <p>The net movement of particles from an area of high concentration</p> <p>Convection</p> <p>Particles in liquids getting heated and rising. They then cool and fall back to bottom, the process is then repeated.</p> <p>Particle model</p> <p>A model that shows particles as spheres to show what state they are in and how they are arranged.</p> <p>Solid</p>	<p>End of unit assessment</p>
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		<p>☐ Comment on a Substance's Purity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interpret temperature change data to assess the purity of a substance, noting that pure substances have sharp melting or boiling points. <p>☐ Explain Separation Techniques:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Justify why specific separation techniques (like filtration or distillation) are suitable based on the physical properties (e.g., solubility, boiling point) of the constituent substances. <p>☐ Explain the Relationship between Solutes, Solvents, and Solutions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss how solutes dissolve in solvents to form solutions, highlighting their interactions at the particle level. <p>☐ Draw Particle Diagrams:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Illustrate particle diagrams to represent the arrangement of particles in solutions compared to pure substances. <p>☐ Explain Applications of Solution Chemistry:</p>	<p>- Use appropriate techniques, apparatus, and materials during fieldwork and laboratory work, paying attention to health and safety.</p> <p>Chemistry</p> <p>- Simple techniques for separating mixtures: evaporation, distillation.</p> <p>WS</p> <p>- Interpret observations and data, including identifying patterns and using observations, measurements, and data to draw conclusions.</p> <p>Chemistry</p> <p>- Simple techniques for separating mixtures: chromatography.</p> <p>WS</p> <p>- Interpret observations and data, including identifying patterns and using observations, measurements, and data to draw conclusions.</p>	<p>Particles that vibrate around a fixed position and are closely packed together</p> <p>Liquid</p> <p>Particles closely packed together but can have no fixed shape and can move freely.</p> <p>Gas</p> <p>Particles spread far apart, move freely and fill any container they are in.</p> <p>Gas Pressure</p> <p>Gas Pressure is caused by particles hitting the inside or outside of a container.</p>	
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Describe how concepts in solution chemistry apply to real-world scenarios, such as environmental science or pharmaceuticals. <p>☐ Explain Why Temperature Affects Solubility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discuss the molecular interactions that cause temperature changes to impact the solubility of solutes. <p>☐ Explain What a Solubility Graph Shows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Interpret solubility graphs, explaining how they represent the relationship between solubility and temperature for different substances. <p>☐ Justify Method Choices for Investigating Solubility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Defend the chosen methodology for studying the solubility of salt in seawater based on the properties involved. <p>☐ Use Particle Diagrams to Illustrate Filtration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create diagrams that show how particles are separated during filtration, indicating which particles pass			
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		<p>through and which are retained.</p> <p>☐ Explain Filtering Situations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assess whether filtering is appropriate for given mixtures based on particle size and solubility. <p>☐ Explain Filtration Apparatus Use:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide detailed descriptions of how to effectively use filtration apparatus to separate salt from a mixture of salt and sand. <p>☐ Compare Evaporation and Distillation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Analyze the differences between evaporation and distillation in terms of effectiveness for separating mixtures. <p>☐ Discuss Separation Suitability:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Evaluate whether evaporation or distillation is more suitable for particular mixtures based on their physical properties. <p>☐ Consider Physical Properties in Distillation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Interpret observations made during distillation by considering the physical			
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		<p>properties utilized, such as boiling points.</p> <p>☐ Explain Chromatography in Different Scenarios:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss various applications of chromatography in fields such as forensics, food science, and environmental testing. <p>☐ Monitor Reaction Progress with Chromatography:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain how chromatography can track the progress of chemical reactions over time. <p>☐ Suggest Issues with Chromatography:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify potential problems or limitations in using chromatography, such as resolution or sensitivity issues 			
Lent 1	Electricity and Magnetism	<p>Physics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Separation of positive or negative charges when objects are rubbed together: transfer of electrons, forces between charged objects. - The idea of electric field, forces acting across the space between objects not in contact. 	<p>☐ xplain, in Terms of Electrons, Why Something Becomes Charged:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss how the movement of electrons results in an object gaining a positive or negative charge. 	<p>Magnet Something that can attract magnetic materials</p> <p>Magnetic field The space around a magnet where it</p>	End of unit assessment

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		<p>- Non-contact forces: forces due to static electricity.</p> <p>- Using physical processes and mechanisms, rather than energy, to explain the intermediate steps that bring about changes in systems.</p> <p><u>WS</u></p> <p>- Interpret observations and data, including identifying patterns and using observations, measurements, and data to draw conclusions.</p> <p><u>Physics</u></p> <p>- Electric current, measured in amperes in circuits.</p> <p>- Current as a flow of charge.</p> <p>- Using physical processes and mechanisms, rather than energy, to explain the intermediate steps that bring about changes in systems.</p> <p><u>WS</u></p> <p>- Use appropriate techniques, apparatus, and materials during fieldwork and laboratory work, paying attention to health and safety.</p> <p><u>Physics</u></p> <p>- Potential difference, measured in volts.</p> <p>- Battery and bulb ratings.</p> <p><u>WS</u></p>	<p><u>?</u> Predict How Charged Objects Will Interact:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use the principles of charge (like like charges repel and opposite charges attract) to make predictions about interactions. <p><u>?</u> Compare a Gravitational Field and an Electric Field:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyze the similarities and differences in how gravitational and electric fields operate, including their effects on mass and charge. <p><u>?</u> Use Observations to Make Predictions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apply observations from experiments to forecast the outcomes of similar scenarios. <p><u>?</u> Use a Model to Explain How Current Flows in a Circuit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create a conceptual model illustrating the flow of current through a circuit and 	<p>can affect magnetic materials or other magnets.</p> <p>Magnetism A non-contact force.</p> <p>Magnetic Material attracted to a magnet.</p> <p>Magnetic material Material that is attracted to a magnet; iron, cobalt, nickel and steel are all magnetic materials.</p> <p>North pole One end of a magnet. The end points north if the magnet can move.</p> <p>South pole One end of a magnet. The end points south if the magnet can move.</p> <p>Electromagnet A coil of wire with electricity flowing in it. An electromagnet has</p>	
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		<p>- Use appropriate techniques, apparatus, and materials during fieldwork and laboratory work, paying attention to health and safety.</p> <p>Physics</p> <p>- Series and parallel circuits, currents add where branches meet.</p> <p>WS</p> <p>- Interpret observations and data, including identifying patterns and using observations, measurements, and data to draw conclusions.</p> <p>Physics</p> <p>- Resistance, measured in ohms, as the ratio of potential difference (p.d.) to current.</p> <p>- Differences in resistance between conducting and insulating components (quantitative).</p> <p>WS</p> <p>- Select, plan, and carry out the most appropriate types of scientific enquiries to test predictions, including identifying independent, dependent, and control variables, where appropriate.</p> <p>Physics</p>	<p>how components interact.</p> <p>☐ Predict the Current in Different Circuits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use Ohm's law and circuit principles to anticipate current values based on circuit configurations. <p>☐ Measure Current Accurately in a Number of Places in a Series Circuit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct measurements at various points in a circuit to understand current distribution. <p>☐ Explain the Difference Between Potential Difference and Current:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarify the distinct roles of potential difference (voltage) and current in electrical circuits. <p>☐ Explain Why Potential Difference is Measured in Parallel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss the necessity of measuring potential 	<p>a magnetic field like a bar magnet.</p> <p>Solenoid</p> <p>A coil of wire.</p>	
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Magnetic poles, attraction and repulsion. - Magnetic fields by plotting with compass, representation by field lines. - Earth’s magnetism, compass, and navigation. - Non-contact forces: forces between magnets. - Using physical processes and mechanisms, rather than energy, to explain the intermediate steps that bring about changes in systems. <p><u>WS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Make and record observations and measurements using a range of methods for different investigations; and evaluate the reliability of methods and suggest possible improvements. <p><u>Physics</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The magnetic effect of a current, electromagnets, D.C. motors (principles only). <p><u>WS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Make predictions using scientific knowledge and understanding. <p><u>Physics</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The magnetic effect of a current, electromagnets, 	<p>difference in parallel to capture the voltage across components accurately.</p> <p>☐ Predict the Effect of Changing the Rating of a Battery or Bulb in a Circuit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analyze how alterations in battery or bulb ratings will influence current and potential difference in a circuit. <p>☐ Set Up and Measure Potential Difference Across Various Components in a Circuit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct experiments to measure voltage drops across different components, understanding how potential difference behaves in circuits. <p>☐ Explain the Most Suitable Type of Circuit for the Domestic Ring Main:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Justify the use of parallel circuits in 		
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		<p>D.C. motors (principles only). WS - Identify further questions arising from their results.</p>	<p>household wiring due to the need for independent operation of devices.</p> <p>☐ Explain Why Current and Potential Difference Vary in Series and Parallel Circuits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyze the fundamental reasons behind the differences in current and voltage behavior in series versus parallel circuits. <p>☐ Explain the Pattern in Current and Potential Difference Readings for Series and Parallel Circuits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draw conclusions based on collected data regarding how current and voltage behave in different circuit configurations. <p>☐ Explain the Causes of Resistance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss factors such as material, temperature, and cross-sectional area 		
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			<p>that contribute to electrical resistance.</p> <p>☐ Explain What Factors Affect the Resistance of a Resistor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Detail how length, cross-sectional area, and material type influence the resistance of a resistor. <p>☐ Compare the Effect of Resistance in Different Materials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Evaluate how different materials exhibit varying levels of resistance, influencing their applications in circuits. <p>☐ Independently Select and Control All Variables in the Investigation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Plan and execute experiments while managing variables to ensure accurate and precise results. <p>☐ Explain How Magnets Can Be Used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discuss various applications of		
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			<p>magnets in technology, industry, and everyday life.</p> <p>☐ Compare Magnetic Field Lines and a Magnetic Field:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Analyze the relationship between visual representations of magnetic field lines and the actual magnetic field they depict. <p>☐ Explain How a Compass Works:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Describe the principles behind compass operation, including the alignment of the needle with Earth's magnetic field. <p>☐ Suggest Improvements to an Experiment to Observe Field Lines Around a Magnet:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Propose modifications to experimental designs to enhance the observation and accuracy of		
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			<p>magnetic field line demonstrations.</p> <p>☐ Explain How an Electromagnet Works:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Detail the principles of electromagnetism, focusing on how electric current generates a magnetic field. <p>☐ Predict the Effect of Changes on the Strength of Different Electromagnets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use scientific knowledge to forecast how alterations (like current or coil turns) affect an electromagnet's strength. <p>☐ Predict the Effect of Changes Made to an Electromagnet, Using Scientific Knowledge to Justify the Claim:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide reasoned predictions about how specific modifications to an electromagnet will impact its		
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			<p>performance based on principles of physics.</p> <p>☐ Apply Existing Knowledge About Electromagnets to Design a Circuit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Utilize understanding of electromagnetism to create functional circuits that incorporate electromagnets effectively. <p>☐ Suggest Ways to Make a Motor Turn Faster:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Propose adjustments (like increasing current or optimizing design) to enhance the speed of a motor. <p>☐ Suggest Investigations About Electromagnets Used in Different Applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recommend potential research projects exploring the use of electromagnets in various fields such as transportation,		
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			industry, or electronics.		
Lent 2	Ecosystem process	<p>Explain the importance of photosynthesis in the food chain.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain how the plant obtains the reactants for photosynthesis. • Carry out and record observations for an experiment to test for the presence of starch in a leaf, explaining results obtained. • Explain how the structures of the leaf make it well adapted for photosynthesis. • Explain the role of chloroplasts in photosynthesis. • Make observations of stomata from the underside of the leaf, and record as a labelled diagram with annotations. • Explain deficiency symptoms in plants. 	<p>☑ Use Appropriate Techniques, Apparatus, and Materials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employ suitable methods and tools during fieldwork and laboratory work, ensuring health and safety practices are followed. <p>☑ Make and Record Observations and Measurements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use various methods to observe and measure during investigations; evaluate the reliability of these methods and suggest possible improvements. <p>☑ Undertake Basic Data Analysis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analyze data using simple statistical techniques to interpret results. 	<p>Food chain Diagram showing which organism eat which from the same ecosystem.</p> <p>Food web Shows how the food chains of an ecosystem are linked. Shows more interactions between species.</p> <p>Ecosystem The living things in a given area and their non-living environment.</p> <p>Environment The surrounding air, water and soil where an organism lives.</p> <p>Population Group of the same species living in an area.</p> <p>Producer Green plant or algae that makes its own food using</p>	End of unit assessment

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain how proteins are made for plant growth. • Record measurements in a table, and calculate arithmetic means of results, giving answers to the correct number of significant figures. • Explain how some chemosynthetic organisms form symbiotic relationships. • Compare similarities and differences between photosynthesis and chemosynthesis. • Explain why the view of chemosynthesis by the scientific community changed with time. • Explain how the reactants for respiration get into the cells. • Explain the process of aerobic respiration. • Plan an investigation to explain the effect of exercise on respiration rates. 	<p>☑ Select, Plan, and Carry Out Scientific Enquiries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify independent, dependent, and control variables when designing experiments to test predictions. <p>☑ Evaluate Data:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assess data quality, being aware of potential sources of random and systematic error. <p>☑ Present Observations and Data:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use appropriate methods, such as tables and graphs, to present findings clearly. <p>☑ Apply Sampling Techniques:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement various sampling methods for collecting data in ecological studies. 	<p>sunlight in a process called Photosynthesis.</p> <p>Consumer An animal that eats another animal or plant</p> <p>Decomposer Organism that breaks down dead plant and animal material so that nutrients can be recycled back to the soil or water</p> <p>Carbon cycle The idea that carbon is constantly recycled through the environment from carbon dioxide in the air to stores in plants and animals.</p> <p>Competition When organisms within an ecosystem compete for the same resource. The ones who win will survive reproduce and thrive.</p>	
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the uses of the products from anaerobic respiration. • Explain the differences between the two types of respiration. • Evaluate data collected, showing awareness of potential sources of random and systematic errors. • Explain the link between food chains and energy. • Explain why a food web gives a more accurate representation of feeding relationships than a food chain. • Explain the interdependence of organisms. • Explain why toxic materials have a greater effect on top predators in a food chain. • Present population data as a graph, explaining trends and drawing detailed conclusions from data provided. 		<p>Bioaccumulation The process which causes the build up of poisonous chemicals in the higher levels of the food chain.</p> <p>Predator An animal which preys on others.</p> <p>Prey An animal hunted or killed for food</p> <p>Carnivore An animal which eats meat.</p> <p>Herbivore An animal which eats plants</p> <p>Omnivore An animal which eats meat and plants.</p>	<p align="right">End of unit assessment</p>
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	<p>Metals and acids</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain why different organisms are needed in an ecosystem. • Explain why different organisms within the same ecosystem have different niches. • Use quadrats and transects to take unbiased measurements in an ecosystem, describing trends observed in data <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use formula equations to show what happens when metals react in different acids. • Use word and formula equations to explain the test for hydrogen gas. • Suggest how temperature changes may be linked with differences in reactivity between metals and acids. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Order of Metals and Carbon: Understand and recall the order of metals and carbon in the reactivity series. • Data Interpretation: Interpret observations and data, identifying patterns to draw conclusions. • Scientific Enquiry Planning: Select, plan, and conduct appropriate scientific enquiries, 	<p>Reactivity Series A list from highest reactivity to lowest reactivity of metals Metal An element found on the left or middle side of the periodic table Displacement reaction A displacement reaction is when a more reactive element takes the</p>	
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the reactivity of metals according to how they react with oxygen. • Construct balanced equations that include state symbols. • Predict the reactivity of unfamiliar metals from information about their behaviour. • Link a metal's reaction with its place in the reactivity series. • Explain predictions made about a metal's reactivity. • Consider why it is important to determine the reactivity of metals. • Explain why given displacement reactions are predicted to occur or not occur. 	<p>identifying independent, dependent, and control variables.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reaction Types: Understand combustion, thermal decomposition, oxidation, and displacement reactions. • Predictions: Make predictions based on scientific knowledge and understanding. • Carbon in Metallurgy: Understand the use of carbon in obtaining metals from metal oxides. • Qualitative Properties: Describe and interpret the properties of ceramics, polymers, and composites. • Data Presentation: Present observations and data using appropriate methods, including tables and graphs 	<p>place of a less reactive element.</p> <p>Non-metal An element found on the right hand side of the periodic table</p> <p>Reactant Chemical that are mixed together to change how the particles are arranged</p> <p>Product A new chemical that is made after particles have reacted</p> <p>Reaction The rearrangement of particles</p> <p>Brittle A substance that can be easily broken</p> <p>Malleable A substance that can be hammered into shape</p> <p>conductivity How easily heat/electricity</p>	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use particle models and diagrams to represent displacement reactions.• Predict which combinations of metals and metal compounds will lead to displacement reactions, with scientific reasons.• Explain why metals can be extracted using carbon, using the idea of displacement.• Convert amounts of metals within ores from masses to percentages, or vice versa.• Use balanced formula equations to illustrate examples of metal extraction.• Distinguish between chemical and physical properties of ceramics.• Justify why you identify possible ceramics from data about material properties.• Plan a method for comparing the strength of		can pass through a substance	
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		<p>ceramic materials, justifying choices of experimental techniques and apparatus.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain properties of different polymers. • Compare properties of different polymers. • Suggest advantages and disadvantages of using polymers. • Explain composite properties. • Suggest advantages and disadvantages of composite properties. • Suggest the role played by composite components when describing a graph of composite strengths 			
Trinity 1	Energy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calculate Energy Requirements: Calculate energy requirements for various 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compare Energy Values: Compare the 	non-renewable energy resources cannot be replaced	End of unit assessment

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		<p>situations, considering diet and exercise.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggest Foods for Specific Situations: Suggest different foods needed in unusual situations, such as training for the Olympics. • Explain Athlete's Energy Needs: Explain why an athlete needs more energy from food using provided data. • Account for Energy Dissipation: Account for energy dissipation during energy transfers. • Compare Energy Transfers: Compare energy transfers to energy conservation. • Present Detailed Observations: Present detailed observations of energy transfers in a table, including useful and non-useful transfers. • Differentiate Energy and Temperature: Provide examples 	<p>energy values of different foods using labels (kJ).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand Fuels and Energy Resources: Identify and explain various fuels and energy resources. • Present Reasoned Explanations: Provide reasoned explanations, linking data to predictions and hypotheses. • Quantify Energy: Understand energy as a measurable quantity that can be calculated, maintaining consistency before and after changes. • Analyze Energy Changes: Compare starting and final conditions of a system, describing increases and decreases in energy associated with various processes. 	<p>once they are all used up renewable energy resources can be replaced, and will not run out</p> <p>Fossil fuels Are formed over millions of years, from the remains of dead organisms (Crude oil, coal and gas)</p> <p>Temperature The average kinetic energy of the particles in a substance. Measured in degrees Celsius, °C.</p> <p>Heat An energy store (thermal) measured in joules, J.</p> <p>Conduction Heat energy passed on by particles in solids</p> <p>Convection</p>	
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		<p>to show that energy and temperature are different.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain Energy Transfer in Particles: Explain, in terms of particles, how energy is transferred. • Give Examples of Equilibrium: Provide examples of equilibrium. • Describe Error Sources: Describe sources of error as systemic or random and suggest ways to minimize them. • Explain Heat Transfer Processes: Explain in detail the processes involved during heat transfers. • Explain Insulator Properties: Explain why certain materials are good insulators. • Establish Thermal Equilibrium: Explain how thermal equilibrium can be established. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify Energy Transfer Processes: Recognize processes that involve energy transfer, such as motion changes, dropping objects, electrical circuits, spring stretching, food metabolism, and fuel burning. • Energy Changes on Deformation: Analyze energy changes that occur during deformation. • Make Observations and Measurements: Record observations and measurements using a variety of methods for different investigations. • Evaluate Data: Analyze data with awareness of potential random and systematic errors. • Understand Heating and Thermal Equilibrium: Explain 	<p>Heat energy carried up away from heat source by particles in fluids Radiation Transferred as electromagnetic waves, not carried by particles</p>	
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain Energy Radiation: Explain why some objects radiate more energy. • Compare Energy Resources: Compare the advantages and disadvantages of using renewable and non-renewable energy resources. • Justify Information Sources: Justify your choice of secondary information. • Compare Power Consumption: Compare the power consumption of different activities. • Calculate Energy Costs: Calculate and compare energy costs in different scenarios. • Evaluate Experimental Results: Evaluate results (including random and systematic errors) and suggest how the experiment can be improved 	<p>energy transfer due to temperature differences between objects, including conduction and insulation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interpret Data: Identify patterns in observations and measurements to draw conclusions. • Evaluate Risks: Assess risks associated with various experiments and processes. • Analyze Domestic Fuel Use: Understand domestic fuel bills, usage, and costs. • Compare Power Ratings: Compare the power ratings of appliances (watts, kW) and energy transferred (J, kJ, kWh). • Make Predictions: Use scientific knowledge to make predictions about energy use and transfer. 		
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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calculate Work Done: Understand the concept of work done (work = force × distance) and how simple machines affect force and distance. • Evaluate Data with Error Awareness: Analyze data with a focus on identifying potential sources of errors. 		
Trinity 2	Variation and inheritance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the Effect of Competition: Analyze the impact of competition on individuals and populations. • Explain Adaptations for Survival: Discuss how adaptations enable organisms to survive in their environments. • Explain Adaptation to Seasonal Changes: Describe how organisms adapt to seasonal variations in their environments. • Explain Evolutionary Adaptation and Extinction: Analyze how competition and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand Natural Selection: Recognize how variation between species and individuals affects competition and drives natural selection. • Identify Species Differences: Compare and analyze differences between species. • Evaluate Environmental Impact: Assess how environmental changes can impact species adaptation, 	<p>Competition Competing with other organisms for resources Adaptation Characteristics that help an organism survive in its environment Variation Differences in characteristics with the same species Species Organisms that have lots of characteristics in</p>	End of unit assessment

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		<p>long-term environmental changes can lead to evolutionary adaptations or extinction.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain Variation and Speciation: Discuss how variation contributes to the emergence of different species. • Explain Environmental and Inherited Variation: Analyze how both environmental and inherited factors influence variation. • Explain Continuous and Discontinuous Variation: Discuss the causes and distinctions between continuous and discontinuous variation. • Explain Inheritance through Genes: Analyze how characteristics are inherited and coded by genes. • Explain Contributions to DNA Structure: Discuss the contributions of various scientists to the development of the DNA model and the effects 	<p>competition, and potential extinction.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interpret Data: Interpret observations and data to identify patterns and draw conclusions. • Graphical Representation of Variation: Measure and graphically represent continuous and discontinuous variation within a species. • Understand Heredity: Explain heredity and the role of chromosomes, genes, and DNA in genetic transmission. • Acknowledge Scientific Development: Recognize how scientific methods and theories evolve with new evidence, emphasizing the importance of publishing results and peer review. 	<p>common and can mate to produce fertile offspring</p> <p>Inherited Variation Characteristics that have been inherited from their parents. Eg eye colour</p> <p>Environmental Variation Variation caused by your surroundings and what happens to you eg. Dyed hair or a scar</p> <p>Continuous Variation Characteristics that can take any value within a range of values. Eg height.</p> <p>Discontinuous Variation Characteristic that can only be a certain value. Eg blood group.</p>	
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	<p align="center">Earth and atmosphere</p>	<p>of communication issues on scientific progress.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain Natural Selection and Evolution: Discuss how natural selection drives evolution and how scientists understand changes over time in organisms. • Explain Factors Leading to Extinction: Analyze factors that contribute to extinction and discuss strategies scientists use to prevent it. • Explain Types of Gene Banks: Describe different types of gene banks and their purposes in conservation efforts • Earth's Structure and Atmosphere: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name the layers of the Earth and the main components of the atmosphere. • Describe properties of the different layers of the Earth and the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analyze Organism-Environment Interactions: Understand how organisms interact with their environment and the implications for natural selection. • Maintain Biodiversity: Appreciate the importance of biodiversity and the role of gene banks in preserving genetic material. • Understand Earth's Composition and Structure: Know the composition and structure of the Earth and its atmosphere. • Analyze Rock Formation: Understand the formation of 	<p>Sedimentary Formed over many years, layers of sediment fall on top of one another and over time gets compressed into rocks. Igneous Lava (molten rock) that has exited a volcano and cools</p>	<p align="center">End of unit assessment</p>
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		<p>composition of the atmosphere.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sedimentary Rocks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State a property of sedimentary rocks and how they are made. • Explain two properties of sedimentary rocks and how they are formed. • Igneous and Metamorphic Rocks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State one difference between igneous and metamorphic rocks and describe their formation. • Compare and explain how igneous and metamorphic rocks form. • Rock Cycle: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Give simple facts about how a rock can change type and describe the rock cycle using a wax model. 	<p>sedimentary, igneous, and metamorphic rocks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interpret the Rock Cycle: Explain the processes involved in the rock cycle. • Explore the Carbon Cycle: Understand the carbon cycle and the impact of human activity on carbon dioxide production and climate change. • Evaluate Resources and Recycling: Analyze Earth as a source of limited resources and evaluate the efficacy of recycling. • Present Data Effectively: Use appropriate methods, including tables and graphs, to present observations and data. • Draw Conclusions from Data: Interpret 	<p>down forms igneous rocks Metamorphic When rocks are heated enough, they combine/join together to form a new type of rock that is a combination. Crust The outer layer of the earth where we live. Mantle Underneath the crust, made up of magma (molten rock) Core The centre of the earth, made of two metals which are iron and nickel</p> <p>Freeze-thaw The process of water entering a rock, freezing and expanding, before melting again. This happens over and</p>	
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain how the rock cycle recycles material in rocks. • Carbon Cycle: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State changes in levels of carbon dioxide over time and name a storage location. • Explain why carbon dioxide concentration remained stable for years and identify carbon reservoirs. • Global Warming: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State a cause and impact of global warming. • Explain the reasons for global warming and describe its impacts. • Recycling: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describe how aluminium is recycled and identify its advantages and disadvantages. • Explain the recycling process for aluminium 	<p>observations and data to identify patterns and draw conclusions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make Predictions: Use scientific knowledge and understanding to make informed predictions. • Apply Mathematical Concepts: Utilize mathematical concepts to calculate results related to chemical processes and data analysis. 	<p>over again before breaking the rock. Chemical weathering Acid rain falls on rocks and overtime dissolves the rock, weathering it. Biological weathering Plant roots/plants grow into rocks. As the plant grow, these expand and gradually break</p>	
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