Science Overview - Physics

Year 8

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
Topic	· Solids, liquids, and gases	· Static Electricity	· How light travels
		· The Earth and Space	· Light reflection and refraction
		· Magnets	· Sound (production and transmission of
		· Electromagnets	sound)
			\cdot Applications of sound and the ear
Key concept	Matter and materials	Forces and fields	Energy
Learning	• State that solids, liquids, and gases	· Describe that static electricity causes a	· State that light can be reflected, transmitted,
Objectives	are states of matter with different	non-contact force affecting the space	or absorbed.
	properties such as shape, volume,	around it.	· Describe light as a transverse wave.
	density, and compressibility.	• State how static electricity is created	State the law of reflection.
	· Recognise matter is made up of	and the possible dangers.	• Draw a ray diagram to show how an image is
	tiny particles called atoms.	· Describe the seasons in terms of day	formed.
	• Describe the particle arrangement	length and the height of the sun.	• State the effect of light travels at different
	in solids, liquids, and gases.	· Calculate weight using the equation	speeds in different materials.
	• Describe that particles have	W=m x g.	• Describe how an inverted image is formed.
	kinetic energy and are continually	• State that how the moon is held in	• State that eyes and cameras use convex lens.
	moving.	orbit.	• Define frequency and amplitude.
	• Explain that heating a system will	· Describe weight as non-contact force	· Describe how sound moves through solids,
	change the energy stored within the	due to gravity.	liquids, and gases.
	system and raise its temperature or	· Describe the solar system and the	· Use quantitative data to compare the speed of
	produce changes of state.	orbits of the planets and moons.	sound in solids, liquids, gases.
		• State our position within the galaxy	· Recall the frequency range of the human ear
		and the Milky Way.	(average20,000 Hz to 20 Hz).
		• State that a magnetic force is a non-	• State some applications of ultrasound.
		contact force.	· Describe how the ear detects sound.
		· State that the poles of a magnet are	· Describe how a microphone converts energy
		called north and south.	transferred by sound into electrical signals.
		· State that the Earth has a magnetic field	· State that different animals have different
		and how this affects a compass.	hearing ranges.

		• Describe the shape and direction of a magnetic field.	
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Key vocabulary	liquid, gas, melt, freeze, boil,	conductor, attraction, repulsion,	specular, filter, absorption, transmission,
	temperature, volume, evaporate,	insulator, electrostatic force, charge,	reflection, incident ray, reflected ray, real
	condense, density, compressible,	Earth, moon, model, orbit, planet, solar	magnification, lens, beam, inverted, virtual,
	incompressible, kinetic.	system, star, galaxy, gravity, sun,	converge, diverge, angle of incidence, angle of
		weight, milky way, Mercury, Venus,	reflection, normal, refraction, focal point,
		Mars, artificial satellite, natural satellite,	ultrasound, vibration, pitch, frequency,
		gravitational field, gravitational field	velocity, amplitude, hertz, infrasound
		strength, andromeda, light year, magnet,	
		pole, north compass, south compass,	
		magnetic material, attract, force field,	
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Summative	End of topic test	End of topic test	End of topic test
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Careers	aeronautical engineer, forensic	aeronautical engineer, lab technician,	optician, telecoms technician, lab technician,
	scientist, geoscientist, lab	robotist, telecoms technician, weather	neuroscientist
	technician, volcanologist	forecaster, geoscientist	
Links	To build on observations of	To build on basic electric circuits and	To build on light travelling in straight lines and
	changes in state.	the idea of magnetic forces. In addition,	sound being vibrations.
		the solar system.	
	To prepare for quantative approach		To prepare for the electromagnetic spectrum.
	to gases.	To prepare for electromagnetism,	
		magnetism and electrostatic phenomena.	
		In addition to prepare for astronomy.	