KS5 Physics Curriculum

Externally Examined units

Course Title	Year 1 Route (Year 12)		
As Physics	Modules 1 to 4		
A2 Physics	Modules 5 to 6		

Autumn 1

Module 1-Development
of
practical skills in
physics

Autumn 2

Module 2 – Foundations of physics

Spring 1

Module 3 – Forces and motion

Spring 2

Module 4 – Electrons, waves and photons

Summer 1

Module 5 – Newtonian world and astrophysics

Summer 2

Module 6 – Particles and medical physics

A2 Physics

As Physics

Module 5 – Newtonian world and astrophysics Module 5 – Newtonian world and astrophysics

Module 6 – Particles and medical physics

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Practical endorsement in physics

Module 1	Module 2	Module 3	Module 4	Module 5	Module 6	Practical endorsement in physics
Building on:	Building on:	Building on:	Building on:	Building on:	Building on:	Building on:
KS4: Practical skills assessed in a written examination	KS4: Physical quantities and units Making measurements and analysing data Nature of quantities	KS4: Motion Forces in action Work, energy and power Materials Newton's laws of motion and momentum	KS4: Charge and current Energy, power and resistance Electrical circuits Waves Quantum physics	KS4/5 Thermal physics Circular motion Oscillations Gravitational fields Astrophysics and cosmology	KS4/5 Capacitors Electric fields Electromagnetism Nuclear and particle physics Medical imaging	KS4/5 Students gain practical skills throughout the course. These are assessed in the written examinations and in the practical endorsement