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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your child's Year 8 science curriculum will be centred around the AQA 10 big ideas, providing a comprehensive understanding of the world around them. Throughout the year, we will explore topics such as: energy transfer, matter and atoms, forces and motion, waves, Earth and space, and evolution and inheritance. Practical work will be a cornerstone of our lessons, allowing your child to experiment, observe, and apply scientific concepts in a hands-on way. This approach will foster critical thinking, problem-solving skills, and a deeper appreciation for the scientific method.

This year your child will have three examined assessment points. Each exam will consist of one 40-45 minute paper that will be sat in the classroom.

The assessment points will be during the following weeks (the day will be dependent on when your child has Science.)

- Assessment point 1 - Week commencing 18th November 2024
- Assessment point 2 - Week commencing 3rd March 2025
- Assessment point 3 - Week commencing 19th May 2025

After each assessment point, please ask your child to share their results with you and encourage them to discuss their strengths and weaknesses.

We encourage students to prepare properly for these exams by trialling different revision techniques and using all of the resources that are available. It is important that students get into good revision habits in order to fully prepare them for their GCSEs. Students can use their exercise books, revision guides, keyword lists and a range of different websites. A revision order form is attached to this letter, this needs to be taken to finance with the appropriate money (if your child is pupil premium then they are entitled to a free revision guide).

For further information about how your child can prepare and where they can find useful revision resources, please refer to the [Science Website](#), under the 'Parent Information' tab. Also be sure to check the Wildern Weekly for any further updates throughout the year. If there are any queries, students should speak to their classroom teacher in the first instance.

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Yours sincerely,

Mr Walmsley

Assistant Director of Learning – Science



SCIENCE ORDER FORM – KS3

NAME TUTOR

ITEM	COST EACH	NUMBER REQUIRED	TOTAL £
KS3 Science Revision Guide – Higher	£3.25		
KS3 Science Workbook	£6.25		
Essential Maths Skills for Secondary Science	£3.25		
TOTAL PAID			£

For Office Use Only Amount Paid £	Finance Signature:	Cheque <input type="checkbox"/>
	Date:	Cash <input type="checkbox"/>

Please take the whole form, with both halves completed, and the exact money to the Finance Office at **Break time and Lunch time only**. Books to be collected from the Science Workroom (between 910 and 911), only after payment has been made. Cheques payable to Wildern School.

To be retained by Finance Office

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