Department/ Subject: Science Key Stage: 3/4

Staff: LP

Intent	Implementation	Impact
KS3:	KS3:	KS3:
Students will be taught all of the key scientific	Each year groups has the following number of	Year 7
concepts as outlined by the National Strategy	lessons per fortnight;	92% of students are making above or
during KS3. Prior knowledge from KS2 will be	Year 7 - 8 x 50 min lessons	expected progress.
built upon with skills and knowledge instilled	Year 8 - 8 x 50 min lessons	96% of Pupil Premium students are making
throughout KS3 to prepare each pupil for KS4	Year 9 - 9 x 50 min lessons	above or expected progress.
curriculum.		91% of SEN students are making above or
	The KS3 curriculum is split into the following	expected progress.
There is a strong emphasis on practical skills	topics;	
and developing science thinking alongside	Year 7	Year 8
knowledge. The aims of KS3 are to develop	Forces	78% of students are making above or
confident scientists who are adaptable and	Cells	expected progress.
have a desire to acquire new knowledge and	Particles (Chemistry)	84% of Pupil Premium students are making
apply it to everyday life	Reproduction	above or expected progress.
	Substances	100% of SEN students are making above or
KS4:	Space	expected progress.
To enhance the knowledge already gained	Atoms, Elements and Compounds	
from KS3 and prepare pupils further by	Body Systems	
embedding knowledge and key skills,		Year 9
allowing them to be successful in terms of	Year 8	87% of students are making above or
outcomes during KS4.	Energy	expected progress.
The AQA specification will be followed closely	Materials	78% of Pupil Premium students are making
but continually related to a context where	Ecosystems	above or expected progress.
appropriate with pupils encouraged to apply	Respiration	78% of SEN students are making above or

their knowledge and form their own opinions and ideas.

Periodic table

Waves

Earth and Atmosphere

Health

Motion

Year 9

Electricity and Magnetism

Genetics

How Science Works

Year 9's begin their KS4 curriculum at the beginning of their Spring term.

Each topic is supported by medium and short term plans with a large variety of differentiated resources provided to allow all student to access tasks and make progress.

Formative assessment takes place regularly with pupils given comprehensive feedback via marking of work. Pupils are requested to improve their work with green pen as a key element of this process.

Summative assessment takes place at the end of every term with a test which analyses their knowledge across the topic taught during the term.

## KS4

The majority of pupils at St Dunstan's follow the AQA Combined Science Trilogy Specification, with a small number following the AQA separate Science pathway. expected progress.

## KS4

## Attainment

7.1% of students obtained GCSE grades 9-7 36.5% of students obtained GCSE grades 9-5 60% of students obtained GCSE grades 9-4

Each class will be taught topics across the range of science disciplines across each academic year. So that pupils can easily refer back to work using revision materials at any given time, the structure of the course is the same, in terms of topics, as those detailed in the specification.

Formative assessment takes place regularly with pupils given comprehensive feedback via marking of work. Pupils are requested to improve their work with green pen as a key element of this process.

Summative assessment takes place at the end of every topic with a test which analyses their knowledge and allows their progress to be determined. The information received from these tests are also used to inform pupils about areas of weakness and support to improve.