

GCSE Science at Handsworth Grange

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There are 2 science pathways available to pupils at HGCSC; Triple science or Combined Science. All Y11 pupils have been informed of the pathway they have been placed on, which was decided following their performance and approach to learning in Y10.

Triple Science (Classes 11X1 and 11Y1)

- 3 GCSEs - Biology, Chemistry and Physics as separate awards
- 2 exams per subject, all 1hour 45minutes.
- Extended content in comparison to Combined Science
- Grade 4 – 9 can be achieved
- AQA Exam Board

Combined Science (All other classes)

- 2 GCSE awards – All 3 subjects studied, however all marks combined to achieve 2 awards
- 2 exams per subject, all 1hour 15minutes
- Grade 1- 9 can be achieved (Grade 1-5 available on Foundation, 4 – 9 available on Higher)
- Targeted intervention to take place face-to-face in school (Mondays, 3-4pm)
- AQA Exam Board

Mock Exams

- All pupils will complete a mock exam for each Biology, Chemistry and Physics twice before the GCSE exams in May/June. Each pupil will receive individual feedback and areas for improvement. Performance in the mocks will dictate whether a student completes the Higher or Foundation papers in the May/June exams

Revision Materials

- All revision materials can be purchased through the online school shop. Please take care to purchase the correct materials for your child's course and needs. This can be confirmed through conversation with the science department.