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**Dear Parent and Carer** 

## **Year 10 Summer Science Exams and Progression in Triple Science**

We are writing to inform you about an important academic update concerning your child's progress in GCSE Science and their potential pathway as they move into Year 11.

As you are aware, your child is currently following the Triple Science GCSE course, which involves studying Biology, Chemistry, and Physics as separate subjects. This is a demanding and enriching route designed for students with a strong aptitude and enthusiasm for science.

To continue the Triple Science pathway in Year 11, students are expected to achieve a minimum of a Grade 6 in each of the three sciences during their Year 10 summer examinations. These exams serve as a key indicator of readiness for the pace and depth of the Triple Science curriculum in the final GCSE year.

Revision resources and detailed topic lists have been shared with all students to support their preparation. We strongly encourage all students to engage thoroughly with these materials in the lead-up to the exams.

For students who do not meet the required standard in one or more of the sciences, we will recommend a transition to the **Combined Science GCSE** from September. This course still includes Biology, Chemistry, and Physics content and is well-regarded by colleges, universities, and employers. It provides a solid foundation in science while allowing students more time to consolidate their understanding and achieve strong outcomes. Combined Science GCSE still enables progression to A level sciences.

We remain committed to helping every student reach their full potential and believe that guiding them onto the most appropriate pathway is a key part of this.

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions or would like to discuss your child's progress further, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

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