

6th November 2020

AQA GCSE Science

Dear Parent / Carer,

As you may be aware, your child will be taking mock exams in all of their subjects towards the end of this half-term. Exams take place between 30th November and 10th December and we will be writing to you with more details nearer the time.

In **science**, your child is currently studying for the **AQA GCSE Biology, GCSE Chemistry and GCSE Physics** qualifications. This is often referred to as 'triple science' and means your child will attain three separate grades, one in each subject. Our current intention is that they will continue on this course until their exams in June 2020.

However, if their results in the mock exams in December indicate that 'triple science' isn't the right course for them, then they will move to **GCSE Combined Science: Trilogy**. This course allows students to study biology, chemistry and physics in slightly less detail and students would therefore attain a double grade for science. Both courses are 'high value' but it is important that students are on the correct course to ensure they have the best possible chance of achieving a minimum grade of 7-7, which is the grade that will allow them to study A level sciences, if they wish to.

In order to support your child in the upcoming mock exams, we are running intervention sessions every morning from 8.00-8.30 during breakfast club. It is recommended that your child attends on at least one day per week.

To support your child with their exams, please use our department website, where you can find more information and revision materials:

<https://sites.google.com/kensingtonalldridgeacademy.co.uk/science/home>

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to email me on i.denniston@kaa.org.uk

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Yours sincerely,

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