

Assessment criteria for Science.

All our assessments are created using Testbase and Exampro, these are online platforms from AQA (our GCSE exam board) comprising of banks of exam questions covering all of our topics.

From here we then create our assessments based on a range of question style and ramping up the difficulty through the paper. This is to get them used to the question structure at key stage 4.

Due to the nature of key stage 3 science the main questions each time will be based on different topics so your child may show different strengths and weaker areas across the year. The How Science Works questions will be similar this area focuses on investigations and evaluating investigations so the same skills can be applied to different scenarios. To improve on the weaker areas in different topics your child can use carousel questions and the revision material they have made with that to revisit that particular topic or use BBC bitesize and our SharePoint website for more in-depth material to help them.

At key stage 3 as we have made the assessments ourselves, we apply the grading A-E across the cohort by ranking the marks. Where an A is achieved in the top 16%, B 17-34%, C 35-60%, D 61-84%, E 85-100%