## Tsuen Wan Public Ho Chuen Yiu Memorial College Junior Form Science Curriculum 2024 - 2025

## **Curriculum objectives:**

The primary objectives of the Junior Form Science Curriculum are to provide students with meaningful learning experiences in the field of science. These experiences aim to foster scientific literacy, allowing students to actively explore and appreciate the natural world. By doing so, students can develop a genuine interest in science, nurture their sense of curiosity, and establish a strong foundation for future scientific pursuits or career paths.

The key objectives of the Junior Form Science Curriculum encompass the following:

- Cultivating and sustaining a genuine passion for science, while nurturing a sense of wonder and appreciation for the living world and its surroundings.

- Building and applying a solid knowledge base in fundamental scientific concepts, understanding the essence of scientific inquiry, and recognizing the interconnectedness of science with other disciplines.

- Developing essential skills for scientific inquiry, encouraging critical and creative thinking, and fostering both independent and collaborative problem-solving abilities within scientific contexts.

- Acquiring proficiency in the language of science, effectively communicating scientific ideas and perspectives, and actively engaging in discussions related to scientific topics.

- Developing awareness of the social, ethical, economic, environmental, and technological implications of scientific advancements, enabling students to make informed decisions and judgments in various scientific contexts.

- Cultivating a sense of responsible citizenship, emphasizing the importance of science in addressing national security issues, societal challenges, and promoting personal and community well-being.

Junior Form Science forms vital vertical and lateral connections with various subjects, fostering a holistic and interconnected approach to education. Through the integration of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM), students are encouraged to explore the interdisciplinary nature of scientific knowledge and its applications. Furthermore, Junior Form Science establishes vertical connections with higher form subjects like Physics, Chemistry, and Biology, enabling students to recognize the continuity and interdependencies across these scientific disciplines.

By embracing these connections, students develop a well-rounded scientific mindset and are better equipped to tackle real-world challenges that require a multidimensional approach.

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1 Introducing	1.1	Learning about science	Values
science	1.2	Practice of science	- Responsibility
	1.3	Safety in the laboratory	- Biosafety
	1.4	Laboratory apparatus and basic practical skills	
2 Water	2.1	Change in states of water	Values
	2.2	Water cycle	- Responsibility - Commitment
	2.3	Dissolving	- Law-abidingness
			- Empathy
	2.4	Water purification	- National Identity
	2.5	Further treatment of drinking water	National Security
	2.6	Water conservation and pollution	<ul> <li>Resource security</li> <li>Ecological security</li> <li>Homeland security</li> <li>New security domain</li> <li>(biodiversity, conservation, exploration and protection of deep seas and polar regions)</li> </ul>
3 Looking at	3.1	Living things	Values
living things	3.2	Grouping of living things	- Responsibility - National Identity
	3.3	Identification key	
	3.4	Biodiversity	National Security

		<ul> <li>Ecological security</li> <li>New security domain</li> <li>(biodiversity, conservation, exploration and protection of deep seas and polar regions)</li> </ul>
4 Cells, human	4.1 Cells	Values
reproduction and heredity	4.2 From a single cell to a multicellular organism	<ul><li>Respect for Others</li><li>Responsibility</li><li>Empathy</li></ul>
	4.3 Sex cells and reproductive systems	
	4.4 Sexual maturity and birth of a new life	
	4.5 Becoming parents	
	4.6 Heredity and variation	
5 Energy	5.1 Energy changes	Values
	5.2 Heat transfer	- National identity
	5.3 Energy sources	National Security
		<ul> <li>Resource security</li> <li>Ecological security</li> <li>Homeland security</li> <li>Nuclear security</li> <li>New security domain (biodiversity, conservation, exploration and protection of deep seas and polar regions)</li> </ul>

6 Matter as particles	6.1	Matter and particle theory	Values
1	6.2	Particle model	- National identity - Perseverance
	6.3	Dissolving	
			National Security
	6.4	Thermal expansion and contraction	
			- Technological security
	6.5	Gas pressure	-Resource security
			- Homeland security
	6.6	Density	- New security domain
			(biodiversity, conservation,
			exploration and protection
			of deep seas and polar
			regions)

7 Living things and air	7.1 Air	Values
	7.2 Photosynthesis	- Responsibility
	7.3 Respiration	- Communent
	7.4 Gas exchange in plants	National Security
	7.5 Gas exchange in animals	<ul> <li>Ecological security</li> <li>New security domain</li> <li>(biodiversity conservation)</li> </ul>
	7.6 Balance of oxygen and carbon of in Nature	dioxide exploration and protection of deep seas and polar
	7.7 Air quality	regions)
8 Making use of	8.1 Simple circuit	Values
electricity	8.2 Current	- Responsibility
	8.3 Voltage	- Law-abidingness
	8.4 Resistance	
	8.5 Electrical circuits	
	8.6 Household electricity	
	8.7 Power and efficiency	
9 Common acids and alkalis	9.1 Common acids and alkalis	Values
	9.2 Distinguishing acids and alkalis	- Responsibility - Commitment

	9.3 Neutralization	National Security
	9.4 Corrosive nature of acids	- Ecological security
	9.5 Acid rain	(biodiversity, conservation, exploration and protection
	9.6 Potential hazards related to the use of acids and alkalis	of deep seas and polar regions)
10 Sensing	10.1 Senses and sense organs	Values
the environment	10.2 Sight	- Benevolence - Empathy
	10.3 Hearing	- Responsibility - Law-abidingness
	10.4 Smell and taste	
	10.5 Other senses	
	10.6 Brain and our senses	
11 Force and motion	11.1 Motion	Values
	11.2 Effects of forces and ways to describe forces	<ul><li>Perseverance</li><li>National identity</li></ul>
	11.3 Balanced forces and free-body diagrams	National Security - Technological security
	11.4 Gravity	
	11.5 Friction and air resistance	
	11.6 Action and reaction	
	11.7 Space flight	