Yr12 Physics – Unit 2

MAGHULL HIGH SCHOOL – CURRICULUM MAP



	Sequence				
торіс (s) Particles and Radiation	 Constituents of atoms Stable and unstable nuclei Particles, antiparticles and photons Particle interactions 	 Classification of particles Quarks and antiquarks Applications of conservation laws The photoelectric effect 		 Collisions of electrons with atoms Energy levels and photon emission Wave-particle duality 	
Knowledge & Skills development	 Describe the simple model of the atom Calculate specific charge Describe the strong nuclear force Describe and give equations for alpha and beta minus decay including neutrinos Calculating photon energy Knowledge of annihilation and pair production and the energies involved Explain the four fundamental interactions in terms of their exchange particles Draw Feynman diagrams to represent particle interactions Classify particles as hadrons, baryons, mesons, leptons giving examples of each Apply conservation laws (baryon number, lepton number, charge) to the interaction and decay of particles 		 Appreciation that particle physics relies on the collaborative efforts of large teams of scientists and engineers to validate new knowledge Describe particle composition in terms of quarks Describe the photoelectric effect in terms of the energies involved Understanding of ionisation and excitation in the fluorescent tube Use the electronvolt in energy calculations Describe the formation of line spectra in terms of energy levels in atoms Calculate the de Broglie wavelength of particles Describe scientific evident that particles can act as waves and vice versa 		
Assessment / Feedback Opportunities Cultural Capital	Exam questions – teacher Exam que assessed	estions – self assessed	Extended writing task – assessed and yellow box	- teacher Topic assessment	
SMSC / Promoting British Values (Democracy, Liberty, Rule of Law, Tolerance & Respect)	• • •				
Reading opportunities	 Recommended Read: Particle Physics Brick by Brick by Dr Ben Still Recommended Read: The Particle Zoo: The Search for the Fundamental Nature of Reality by Gavin Hesketh 				
Key Vocabulary	Independent Variable, Dependent Variable, Cont Describe, Explain, Compare, Analyse, Calculate, S	trol Variables, Method, (Suggest, Absolute, Uncer	Conclusion, Precaution, Eva rtainty, Error	aluation, Reliable, Precision, Valid, Anomaly,	

	Specific, Neutrino, Nucleus, Conservation, Fundamental, Interaction, Annihilation, Production, Hadron, Baryon, Meson, Lepton, Decay, Collaborate, Photoelectric, Duality, Ionisation, Fluorescent, Excitation, Quark		
Digital Literacy	The use of excel to plot graphs and analyse data		
	MSOffice365 apps including SharePoint		
Cross-Curricular Links	Numeracy/Maths – averages (means), reading scales, graph plotting, lines of best fit, using and rearranging equations, using scientific calculators		
Careers	Particle physicist, Nuclear technicians, Medical physicist, Radiographer		