	Year Group 7 Subject Science Assessment Framework						
Assessment	Grade 1	Grade 2-3	Grade 4-5	Grade 6-7	Grade 8+		
Objective							
Thinking scientifically	 State basic scientific knowledge, processes or phenomena. Describe basic scientific 	• Identify differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific	Use scientific ideas when describing simple processes or phenomena	Use abstract ideas or models or more than one step when describing	Use abstract ideas or models or multiple factors when explaining		
Test	Describe basic scientific steps/processes/phenomena. Conclusion offered with data/information in the question with no reasoning. Suggest how ideas can be investigated and what might happen.	ideas, processes or phenomena • Respond to ideas given to them to answer questions or suggest solutions to problems • Represent things in the real world using simple physical models • Use straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions, or to support their findings	Use simple models to describe scientific ideas Identify scientific evidence that is being used to support or refute ideas or arguments	 Explain processes or phenomena, suggest solutions to problems or answer questions by drawing on abstract ideas or models Recognise scientific questions that do not yet have definitive answers Identify the use of evidence and creative thinking by scientists in the development of scientific ideas 	• Evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of particular models • Evaluate some scientific evidence that supports or refutes particular ideas or arguments, including those in development • Explain how new scientific evidence is discussed and interpreted by the scientific community and how this may lead to changes in scientific ideas		
Understanding the applications and implications of science Debates	 State the purposes of a variety of scientific or technological developments. Identify some aspects of our lives, or of the work that people do, which are based on scientific ideas 	Explain the purposes of a variety of scientific or technological developments Link applications to specific characteristics or properties Identify aspects of our lives, or of the work that people do, which are based on scientific ideas	Describe some simple positive and negative consequences of scientific and technological developments Recognise applications of specific scientific ideas Identify aspects of science used within particular jobs or roles	Describe different viewpoints a range of people may have about scientific or technological developments Indicate how scientific or technological developments may affect different groups of people in different ways Identify ethical or moral issues linked to scientific or technological developments	Describe how different decisions on the uses of scientific and technological developments may be made in different economic, social or cultural contexts Explain how societies are affected by particular		

				Link applications of science or technology to their underpinning scientific ideas	scientific applications or ideas • Describe how particular scientific or technological developments have provided evidence to help scientists pose and answer further questions • Describe how aspects of science are applied in particular jobs or roles
Communicating and collaborating in science Peer/LORIC	 Present simple scientific findings as data for example using a table. Use some key terminology when communicating simple scientific ideas, processes or phenomena. Suggest advantages of working together on experiments or investigations 	Present simple scientific data in more than one way, including tables and bar charts Use scientific forms of language when communicating simple scientific ideas, processes or phenomena Identify simple advantages of working together on experiments or investigations	Select appropriate ways of presenting scientific data Use appropriate scientific forms of language to communicate scientific ideas, processes or phenomena Use scientific and mathematical conventions when communicating information or ideas	Distinguish between opinion and scientific evidence in contexts related to science, and use evidence rather than opinion to support or challenge scientific arguments Decide on the most appropriate formats to present sets of scientific data, such as using line graphs for continuous variables Use appropriate scientific and mathematical conventions and terminology to communicate abstract ideas Suggest how collaborative approaches to specific experiments or investigations may improve the evidence collected	Identify lack of balance in the presentation of information or evidence Choose forms to communicate qualitative or quantitative data appropriate to the data and the purpose of the communication Distinguish between data and information from primary sources, secondary sources and simulations, and present them in the most appropriate form

Using investigative approaches
Investigation

- **Identify** the control variable during investigation.
- Suggest a practical that allows you to correctly address a question/investigation.
- Outline observations/measurements relevant to the topic being discussed.
- **State** obvious risks when prompted

- Identify one or more control variables in investigations from those provided
- **Select** equipment or information sources from those provided to address a question or idea under investigation
- Make some accurate observations or whole number measurements relevant to questions or ideas under investigation
- **Recognise** obvious risks when prompted

- **Decide** when it is appropriate to carry out fair tests in investigations
- Select appropriate equipment or information sources to address specific questions or ideas under investigation
- Make sets of observations or measurements, identifying the ranges and intervals used
- **Identify** possible risks to themselves and others

- **Recognise** significant variables in investigations, selecting the most suitable to investigate
- Explain why particular pieces of equipment or information sources are appropriate for the questions or ideas under investigation

Repeat sets of

- observations or measurements where appropriate, selecting suitable ranges and intervals
- Make, and act on, suggestions to control obvious risks to themselves and others

- Apply scientific knowledge and understanding in the planning of investigations, identifying significant variables and recognising which are independent and which are dependent
- Justify their choices of data collection method and proposed number of observations and measurements
- Collect data choosing appropriate ranges, numbers and values for measurements and observations
- Independently recognise a range of familiar risks and take action to control them

Working critically with evidence

Investigation/Test

- **Suggest** straightforward patterns in observations or in data.
- **State** what they have found out in experiments or investigations, linking cause and effect.
- **recommend** improvements to their working methods
- Identify straightforward patterns in observations or in data presented in various formats, including tables, pie and bar charts
- Describe what they have found out in experiments or investigations, linking cause and effect
- **Suggest** improvements to their working methods

- Identify patterns in data presented in various formats, including line graphs
- **Draw** straightforward conclusions from data presented in various formats
- Identify scientific evidence they have used in drawing conclusions
- Suggest improvements to their working methods, giving reasons

- Interpret data in a variety of formats, recognising obvious inconsistencies
- **Provide** straightforward explanations for differences in repeated observations or measurements
- **Draw** valid conclusions that utilise more than one piece of supporting evidence, including numerical data and line graphs
- Suggest reasons based on scientific knowledge and understanding for any limitations or inconsistencies in evidence collected
- Select and manipulate data and information and use them to contribute to conclusions
- Draw conclusions that are consistent with the evidence they have collected and explain

	Evaluate the effectivenes.	them using scientific
	of their working methods,	knowledge and
	making practical suggestion	s understanding
	for improving them	Make valid comments
		on the quality of their
		data