NORTHBROOKS SECONDARY SCHOOL SOAKING YET ROOTED

> Sec 2 Subject Information: Science (G1)



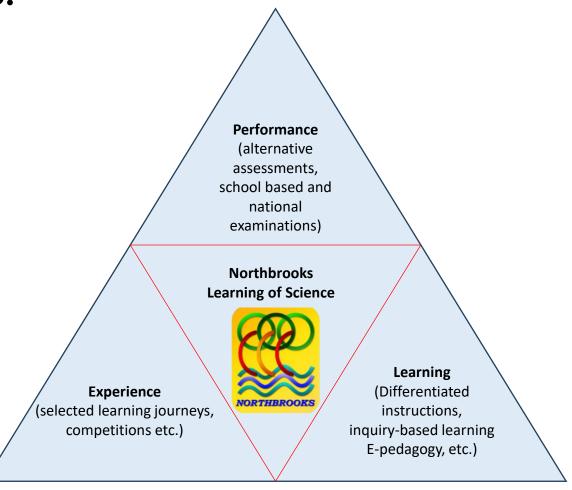
Possible subject offerings:

G1 Science

G2 Science (Physics/Chemistry)*

G2 Science (Biology/Chemistry)*

*students who are taking science at G2 level at the end of Sec 2 may be eligible to take science at G2 level at Sec 3, pending fulfilling academic requirements.



G₁ Science Overview

 provides authentic contexts that students can relate to and draw them into asking questions and seeking knowledge that can help them gain a deeper understanding of the content in each module

Module	Machines Around Us (II)	Food Matters	Our Body and Health (II)
Topic	 Energy 	 Sources of Food 	 Staying Healthy
	 Electricity 	 Food Chemistry 	 Digestion
	Wave	 Food Safety 	 Breathing
	 Effects of Force 		 Blood Circulation

G₁ Science Scheme of Assessment

Paper 1: E-Examination (1 h 15 min, 50 marks)	Paper 1 consists of two sections: Section A will carry 40 marks and consists of 30 multiple-choice questions (30 marks) and 2 to 5 selected response questions (10 marks). Section B will carry 10 marks and consists of 2 to 3 selected-response, shortanswer and/or structured questions with video, animation or interactive stimuli. Selected response questions in Paper 1 may include matching, checkbox, drag and drop and fill-in-the-blanks. Candidates answer questions on a computer for Paper 1.
Paper 2: (1 h, 50 marks)	Paper 2 will carry 50 marks and consist of a variable number of compulsory short-answer and structured questions. One of the questions is a data-response question, requiring candidates to interpret, evaluate or solve problems using data and/or observations. This question will carry 8-12 marks.

G2 Science (Physics) Overview

- provides students with a coherent understanding and appreciating practical applications of physics in the real world
- develops students' investigative and problem-solving skills, effective communication of theoretical concepts and appreciation of the contribution physics makes to our understanding of the physical world

Section
Measurement
Newtonian Mechanics
Thermal Physics
Waves
Electricity & Magnetism
Radioactivity

G2 Science (Physics) Syllabuses and Topics

	Sections	Topics
	Measurement	Physical Quantities, Units and Measurements
	Newtonian Mechanics	Kinematics
		Force and Pressure
		Dynamics
		Energy
	Thermal Physics	Kinetic Particle Model of Matter
		Thermal Processes
		General Wave Properties
	Waves	Electromagnetic Spectrum
	Electricity and Magnetism	Electric Charge and Current of Electricity
		D.C. Circuits
		Practical Electricity
	Radioactivity	Radioactivity

G2 Science (Biology) Overview

- enables students to deepen their interest in biology for future learning and work
- develops a way of thinking to understand how living organisms work to sustain life and use the disciplinary ideas in biology to approach, analyse and solve problems in biological systems

Section

Cells and Chemistry of Life

The Human Body – Maintaining Life

Living Together – Plants, Animals and Ecosystems

G2 Science (Biology) Syllabuses and Topics

Sections	Topics
	Cell Structure and Organisation
Cells and Chemistry of Life	Movement of Substances
	Biological Molecules
	Nutrition in Humans
The Human Body – Maintaining Life	Transport in Humans
	Respiration in Humans
	Infectious Diseases in Humans
Living Together – Plants, Animals and Ecosystems	Nutrition and Transport in Flowering Plants

G2 Science (Chemistry) Overview

- enables students to appreciate practical applications of chemistry in the real world,
- develops in students a way of thinking to approach, analyse and solve problems by explaining macroscopic characteristics and changes in chemical systems

Section Matter – Structures and Properties Chemical Reactions Chemistry in a Sustainable World

G2 Science (Chemistry) Syllabuses and Topics

Sections	Topics	
	Experimental Chemistry	
Matter – Structures and	The Particulate Nature of Matter	
Properties	Chemical Bonding and Structure	
	Chemical Calculations	
Chemical	Acid-Base Chemistry	
Reactions	Qualitative Analysis	
	Patterns in the Periodic Table	
Chemistry in a	Organic Chemistry	
Sustainable World	Maintaining Air Quality	

G2 Level Science Assessment Objectives

Papers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6

- A Knowledge with Understanding, approximately 45% of the marks with approximately 20% allocated to recall.
- **B** Handling Information and Solving Problems, approximately 45% of the marks
- **C** Experimental Skills and Investigations, approximately 10% of the marks*

*new – students should be able to select and use techniques, apparatus and materials, take readings and record observations, interpret and evaluate experimental data and observations, and evaluate methods and suggest possible improvements

G2 Level Science Scheme of Assessment

Paper	Type of Paper	Duration	Marks	Weighting
1	Multiple Choice (Physics)	1 hour 15 minutes	20	20%
2	Structured (Physics)		30	30%
3	Multiple Choice (Chemistry)	1 hour 15 minutes	20	20%
4	Structured (Chemistry)		30	30%
5	Multiple Choice (Biology)	A bassa 45 mains to a	20	20%
6	Structured (Biology)	1 hour 15 minutes	30	30%

Frequently Asked Questions

Q1: Can my child continue to take G2 Science at Upper Secondary?

[for students who were offered G2 Level Science during Secondary 1 / Secondary 2 intake]

Q2: Can my child convert back to G1 Science if he/she is not able to cope with the demand of G2 Science?

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Q1: Can my child continue to take G2 Science at Upper Secondary?

A1:

- Your child will <u>continue to be offered</u> to take Science at a higher level, if he/she meets the eligibility criteria:
 - > Attained at least 50% for Science AND
 - > Meets the progression criteria
- Students who are eligible for G2 Science at a higher level should also consider their
 - > manageability of Science, as well as other subjects
 - > interest towards the Sciences disciplines
 - > preferences of post-secondary courses or future pathways

Q1: Can my child continue to take G2 Science at Upper Secondary?

- Different categories of ITE courses come with different entry requirements.
- Students applying for admission to full-time NITEC courses must first satisfy the
 entry requirements including passes in the pre-requisite subjects for the courses
 applied. Admission is merit-based, and posting to a course is based on aggregate of
 best 4 relevant examinable subjects, including pre-requisite subjects and bonus
 points where applicable and is subjected to availability of vacancies.
- For students who are interested to apply for NITEC Science courses via **Early** Admission Exercise (EAE), taking G2 Science may help to build their portfolio.

Q2: Can my child convert back to G1 Science if he/she is not able to cope with the demand of the G2 Science?

A2:

- Your child is **strongly encouraged** to complete the two years curriculum of the course of the more demanding course, if he/she **meets the criteria and chooses** to be offered the subjects.
- The syllabuses covered at Secondary 3 differs significantly for G2 Science and G1 Science. It is not advisable for your child to convert back to G1 Science and he/she is required to make up for the syllabus missed, if he/she converts back to G1 Science.
- Your child may only convert to G1 Science (at the end of Secondary 3) on a case by case basis, with special considerations.

Examination Syllabus of G₂ and G₁ Sciences



G2 Science

Science: Physics, Chemistry (Syllabus 5105)

Science: Chemistry, Biology (Syllabus 5107)



Thank you.

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