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Physics FAQ Information Sheet

Which exam board and courses are studied at A level?
Edexcel.

What skills will studying Physics equip me with?
- Understanding the world we live in.
- How to look at data, understand the uncertainties when taking measurements.
- Have the skills to tackle problems in a concise, logical manner.

Do I need a specific grade at GCSE to access A level?
Grade 7 and above or a 77 and above in Combined Science.

How is the course structured and how will it be taught?
Topics 1-5 will be taught in the lower 6th and topics 6-13 will be taught in the upper 6th. (See Power point for more details).

Is there a coursework component?
No. This course includes 16 required Practicals which are completed within the lessons.

Who teaches the course?
We are lucky to have four experienced Physics teachers at WGS6. You will be taught by 2 of the teachers.

How is the course resourced?
A revision CGP book will be given to each student at the beginning of the course. In Y13 you will be given a full textbook.

How well do students achieve in Physics?
Physics is the second most popular A level at WGS6. We do get a full range of abilities. Many students achieve their CTG and go on to their first choice at University.

Will I need to do a lot of independent study?
Yes, this is a very important part when studying for any A level. The students who gain the top grades are the students who put in the greatest amount of independent study.

What are typical A level subject choices alongside Physics?
The vast majority of Physics students also study A level Maths. Physics is a mathematical course and both courses complement each other.

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Do I need to take another subject to support my study of Physics?
Maths is recommended.

What subject-related extracurricular opportunities are offered at A level?
N/A

How might Physics help me in my next steps/ university/ career planning?
Physics A level is a highly respected level due to its difficulty. It is essential for most mathematical engineering courses. You must have A level maths if you intend to study Physics at University.

Other helpful information about studying Physics
Most students enjoy A level Physics and appreciate the skills each lesson can give them. Please watch the accompanying power point and read the students' feedback.

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