

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION HIGH SCHOOL  
PHYSICS SYLLABUS SEQUENCE 2023/2024  
GRADE 11  
TERM 2**

<b>WEEK:</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>TOPICS</b>	<b>OBJECTIVES</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Jan. 10 – 12</b>	<b>Revision</b>	The students will review topics for their mock exams.
<b>2-4</b>	<b>Jan. 15 – 19  Jan. 22 -26  Jan. 29 - 30</b>	<b>MOCK EXAMS</b>	There will be no classes.  Complete marking of: - the Investigative Projects - Unmarked Labs - Mock Exam Scripts.
<b>4 (cont'd)</b>	<b>Jan 31 - Feb. 1</b>	<b>Electrical Quantities</b>	<b>LAB : Falling Bead in a liquid (PD)</b>  <b><u>Resistance, R</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• explain the concept of resistance;</li> <li>• apply the relationship <math>R= V/I</math></li> <li>• explain why it is necessary for an ammeter to have a very low resistance;</li> <li>• explain why it is necessary for a voltmeter to have a very high resistance;</li> <li>• solve problems involving series and parallel resistance;</li> <li>• solve problems involving series, parallel and series-parallel circuits;</li> </ul> <b><u>I - V Relationships</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• investigate the relationship between current and potential difference;</li> </ul>
<b>5</b>	<b>Feb. 5 - 9</b>	<b>Electronics</b>	<b>LABS: I-V relationships &amp; Series and Parallel Circuits</b>  <b><u>Alternating Current</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• differentiate between direct and alternating currents;</li> </ul>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>analyze current-time or voltage-time graphs.</li> <li>deduce the period and frequency of ac. or voltages</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Rectification</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>describe how a semi-conductor diode can be used in half wave rectification;</li> <li>differentiate between direct current from batteries and rectified alternating current by a consideration of the <math>V - t</math> graphs for both cases;</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Logic Gates</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>recall the symbols for AND, OR, NOT, NAND, NOR logic gates;</li> <li>state the function of each gate with the aid of truth tables;</li> <li>analyze circuits involving the combinations of not more than three logic gates;</li> <li>discuss the impact of electronic and technological advances on society.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Electricity in the Home</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>discuss the reasons for using parallel connections of domestic appliances;</li> <li>explain the purpose of a fuse or circuit breaker and the earth wire;</li> <li>select a fuse or circuit breaker of suitable current rating for a given appliance;</li> <li>state the adverse effects of connecting electrical appliances to incorrect or fluctuating voltage supplies.</li> </ul>
6	<p>Feb. 12 - 14 <b>MID-TERM BREAK</b></p> <p>Feb. 15 - 16</p>	Electromagnetism	<b>Review of Mock Exam Paper</b>

7	Feb 19 - 23	Electromagnetism	<p><b>Current Electricity, Electrical Quantities, Circuits &amp; Components &amp; Logic Gates (Coursework)</b></p> <p><b><u>Electromagnetic Force</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• conduct simple experiments to investigate the magnetic field pattern around current-carrying conductors;</li> <li>• apply suitable rules which relate the direction of current flow to the direction of the magnetic field;</li> <li>• describe a commercial application of an electromagnet;</li> <li>• conduct an experiment which demonstrates the existence of a force on a current-carrying conductor placed in a magnetic field;</li> <li>• sketch the resultant magnetic flux pattern when a current carrying wire is placed perpendicular to a uniform magnetic field;</li> <li>• apply Fleming's left- hand (motor) rule;</li> <li>• identify the factors that affect the force on a current-carrying conductor in a magnetic field;</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Motors</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• explain the action of a D.C. motor;</li> </ul>
8	Feb. 26 - March 1	Electromagnetism	<p><b>Lab: Refraction</b></p> <p><b><u>Induced e.m.f.</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• describe simple activities which demonstrate an induced e.m.f.;</li> <li>• conduct simple experiments to show the magnitude of the induced e.m.f.</li> <li>• predict the direction of induced current given the direction of motion of the conductor and that of the magnetic field;</li> <li>• explain the action of the A.C. generator;</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Transformers</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• explain the principle of operation of a transformer;</li> <li>• state the advantages of using a.c. for transferring electrical energy;</li> </ul>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• apply the ideal transformer formula <math>P_{out} = P_{in}</math>.</li> </ul>
9 + 10	March 4 - 8	Waves	<p><b><u>Types of Waves</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• differentiate between types of waves</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Wave Parameters</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• recall the meaning of speed, frequency, wavelength, period, amplitude, phase, and solve problems involving these;</li> <li>• represent transverse and longitudinal waves in displacement-position and displacement-time graphs;</li> <li>• extract information about wave parameters from graphs representing waves.</li> </ul> <p><b>Wave Phenomena</b></p> <p><b><u>Reflection, Refraction, Diffraction</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• describe reflection, refraction and diffraction of water waves;</li> <li>• recall all waves undergo reflection, refraction and diffraction;</li> <li>• illustrate: (a) reflection of plane and circular wavefronts at plane surfaces;</li> <li>• relate refraction at a plane boundary to change in speed across the boundary;</li> <li>• recall that the frequency remains unchanged after refraction and use the relationship:</li> </ul> $\frac{\sin \theta_1}{\sin \theta_2} = \frac{v_1}{v_2} = \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_2}$ <p>to solve problems on refraction;</p> <p><b><u>Superposition</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• explain interference of waves in terms of superposition;</li> <li>• predict the effect on a 'double slit' interference pattern of changing the slit spacing or the wavelength of the waves.</li> </ul>

			<b>Coursework: Types of Waves; Wave Parameters; Diffraction; Reflection</b>
11	March 18 - 22	Waves	<p><b>Light Waves</b></p> <p><u>Waves or Particles</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• compare rival theories of light held by scientists;</li> <li>• describe a simple Young's slit experiment to show that light is a wave motion;</li> </ul> <p><u>Rays of Light</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• explain why the diffraction of light is not normally observed;</li> <li>• recall that light travels in straight lines and give examples</li> </ul> <p><b>Reflection and Refraction of Light</b></p> <p><u>Laws of Reflection</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• state and apply the laws of reflection;</li> </ul> <p><u>Image in a Plane Mirror</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• describe the formation of images in a plane mirror;</li> </ul> <p><u>Refraction</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• give examples of observations that indicate that light can be refracted;</li> <li>• describe the refraction of light rays;</li> </ul> <p><u>Laws of Refraction</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• state the laws of refraction and use Snell's Law to solve numerical problems;</li> </ul> <p><u>Critical Angle and Total Internal Reflection</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• explain with the aid of diagrams what is meant by 'critical angle' and 'total internal reflection';</li> <li>• calculate critical angles and relate to total internal reflection;</li> <li>• draw diagrams illustrating applications of total internal reflection;</li> </ul> <p><u>Dispersion</u></p>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>describe how a prism may be used to produce a spectrum from a source of white light;</li> <li>discuss the significance of Newton's prisms experiments for scientific methodology.</li> </ul>
12	<p><b>March 25 - 28</b></p> <p><b>Easter Break</b> <b>March 28 - April 5</b></p>	<b>Waves</b>	<p><b>Lenses</b></p> <p><u>Action of Lenses</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>illustrate the effect of converging and diverging lenses on a beam of parallel rays;</li> <li>recall the meaning of the terms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) principal axis;</li> <li>(b) principal focus;</li> <li>(c) focal length;</li> <li>(d) focal plane;</li> <li>(e) magnification;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>