Background pattern

Description automatically generated

**Key Equations**

**Kinetic Energy**

**Gravitational energy**

**Elastic energy**

**Specific Heat Capacity**

**Work Done**

**Hooke’s Law**

**Quantities and units**

E = Energy (J)

m = Mass (kg)

g = Gravitational field strength (N/kg)

h = Height (m)

W = Work done (N/m or J)

∆Ө = Temperature change (oC)

c = Specific Heat Capacity (J/KgoC)

k = Spring Constant (N/m)

e = Extension (m)

W = Weight (Newtons, N)

m = Mass (kg)

k = Spring Constant (N/m)

e = Extension (m)

**Gravity**

Gravity is affected by mass and weight. In the equation we can see that mass and weight are directly proportional. An objects centre of mass is the point where weight is acting.

**Work Done and Energy Transferred**

When a force acts on an object and makes it move, work is done. Energy transferred and work done are the same thing.

**Stopping Distance**

The total of the braking and thinking distances.

**Braking Distance**

Braking distance is the distance travelled by a vehicle once the brakes are applied. Factors that may affect this are: adverse weather, poor vehicle condition.

**Thinking Distance**

Thinking distance is the distance a vehicle travels in the time it takes for the driver to apply the brakes after realising they need to stop.

**Resultant Force**

A single force that describes all forces acting on an object. If the resultant force is 0N then the object could be stationary or moving at a constant velocity. If the resultant force is any other number the object is accelerating/decelerating.

**Hooke’s Law**

**Independent variable-** force (N)

**Dependent variable-** extension (m)

**Control variables-** type of spring

**Conclusion-** Increasing the force on the spring increases the extension at a rate that is directly proportional until it’s elastic limit. The gradient of the line is the spring constant of the spring.

**Scalar and Vector**

Scalar – a quantity that has only magnitude e.g. temperature, mass

Vector – a quantity that has magnitude and direction e.g. velocity, displacement, force

**Circuit definitions**

Current – the flow of charge

Potential difference – a measure of energy transferred between two points on a circuit

Resistance – an opposition to the flow of current

**Circuit symbols**

Cell, battery, bulb, voltmeter, ammeter, resistor, variable resistor, switch, diode, light emitting diode (LED), light dependent resistor (LDR), thermistor, fuse

**Elastic Potential**

When an object is stretched or compressed, elastic potential energy is stored in the object.

**Specific Heat Capacity**

The specific heat capacity of an object is the amount of energy required to increase the temperature of 1kg of a material by 1oC.

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**Ambitious Vocabulary**

Conserved, directly proportional, scalar, vector

**Kinetic and Gravitational Energy**

Kinetic energy describes the movement of objects. Gravitational energy describes the energy stored in an object when it is lifted.

**Energy stores and Transfers**

Energy stores – kinetic, gravitational, chemical, thermal, elastic, magnetic, electrostatic, nuclear

Energy transfers – mechanical (force), electrical, heating, radiation (waves)

**Science**