

### Whole school curriculum intent

Develop a broad and balanced curriculum that enables students to learn, recall and apply knowledge and skills across different contexts, supported by a robust and consistent approach to assessment. This will lead to successful and resilient lifelong learners who can cope in a range of changing contexts.

## Key stage 3/4 subject curriculum intent

- -> Science teaching at TQEA will develop a deep understanding of a range of scientific ideas in the subject disciplines of biology, chemistry and physics. Pupils will make connections between these subject areas and become aware of many of the big ideas underpinning scientific knowledge and understanding. To support this, the design of Knowledge Organisers has been carefully planned and aligned to the curriculum narrative. KOs are carefully embedded into the curriculum structure to ensure that this meets the need for improving literacy and provides opportunities for retrieval practice. This also ensures that new key language is introduced, explained and modelled when building on prior learning.
- > Pupils will be able to decide on the appropriate type of scientific inquiry to undertake to answer their own questions and develop a deeper understanding of factors to be considered when collecting, recording, processing and evaluating data. They will develop their literacy, numeracy and ICT skills in a range of practical and theoretical contexts.
- → We will enrich our curriculum by giving pupils opportunities to equip themselves with the tools needed to access their learning, for example, by research projects, visiting speakers and visits to local and national sites of scientific interest, both physically and virtually.
- > Incorporate the 4 pillars of curriculum design ensuring that we produce students that can compete nationally and globally in any career: Personal Development and Empowerment; Subject Capital; Employability Capital; Social and Cultural Capital
- -> For some students, studying the sciences will provide the platform for more advanced studies, establishing the basis for a wide range of careers. For others, it will be their last formal study of subjects that provide the foundations for understanding the natural world and will enhance their lives in an increasingly technological society.
- -> Science is changing our lives and is vital to the world's future prosperity. The sciences will be taught in ways that ensure students have the knowledge to enable them to develop curiosity about the natural world and an appreciation of the relevance of science to their everyday lives.

Year Group		Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1 Summer 2
Year 7	Торіс	Introduction to science	Cells, organisation and skeleton	Reproduction	Digestion	Ecosystems
	Core knowledge from this topic	<ul> <li>Identify careers that involve science outside of the obvious (N)</li> <li>How we stay safe in the lab (N)</li> <li>How we draw scientific equipment (N)</li> <li>How we use a Bunsen Burner (N)</li> <li>How we use the scientific equipment in a practica (N)</li> <li>Interpret graphs to describe what they show (N)</li> <li>Recognise the scientific method (N):</li> <li>Identify Variables</li> <li>Design a valid experiment</li> <li>Write a method</li> <li>Analyse simple data</li> <li>Draw simple bar charts</li> <li>Evaluate an experiment (N)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>What animal cells are and contain (N)</li> <li>What plant cells are and what they contain (N)</li> <li>Use a microscope to prepare and see cells (N)</li> <li>What a specialised cell is (N)</li> <li>What unicellular organisms are (N)</li> <li>What cells, tissues and organs are (N)</li> <li>How we move- the role of the skeleton</li> <li>How muscles work (N)</li> <li>What problems can occur in the body (N)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>What the parts of the human reproductive system are (N)</li> <li>What happens in fertilisation (N)</li> <li>What happens in menstruation (N)</li> <li>How a foetus develops</li> <li>Factors that affect the growing foetus (N)</li> <li>How we can affect fertility- increase and decrease (N)</li> <li>The parts of the flowering plant (N)</li> <li>How plants are fertilised (N)</li> <li>How seeds are dispersed (N)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>What makes up a healthy diet</li> <li>What the effects are of an unbalanced diet (N)</li> <li>What organs make up the digestive system</li> <li>How enzymes work (N)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>What food chains and webs are</li> <li>How toxins affect food chains (N)</li> <li>The importance of insects (N)</li> <li>What predator-prey relationships are (N)</li> <li>How we can measure biodiversity (N)</li> </ul>
	Links to the national curriculum	<ul> <li>ask questions and develop a line of enquiry based on observations of the real world, alongside prior knowledge and experience</li> <li>make predictions using scientific knowledge and understanding</li> <li>select, plan and carry out the most appropriate types of scientific enquiries to test predictions, including identifying independent, dependent and control variables, where appropriate</li> <li>use appropriate techniques, apparatus, and materials during fieldwork and laboratory work, paying attention to health and safety</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Cells as the fundamental unit of living organisms, including how to observe, interpret and record cell structure using a light microscope.</li> <li>The functions of the cell wall, cell membrane, cytoplasm, nucleus, vacuole, mitochondria and chloroplasts.</li> <li>The similarities and differences between plant and animal cells.</li> <li>The structural adaptations of some unicellular organisms.</li> <li>The hierarchical organisation of multicellular organisms: from cells to</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reproduction in humans (as an example of a mammal), including the structure and function of the male and female reproductive systems, menstrual cycle, gametes, fertilisation, gestation and birth, to include the effect of maternal lifestyle on the foetus through the placenta.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Content of a healthy human diet: carbohydrates, lipids (fats and oils), proteins, vitamins, minerals, dietary fibre and water, and why each is needed.</li> <li>Calculations of energy requirements in a healthy daily diet.</li> <li>The consequences of imbalances in the diet, including obesity, starvation and deficiency diseases.</li> <li>The tissues and organs of the human digestive system, including adaptations to function and how the digestive</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The interdependence of organisms in an ecosystem, including food webs and insect pollinated crops.</li> <li>The importance of plant reproduction through insect pollination in human food security.</li> <li>How organisms affect, and are affected by, their environment, including the accumulation of toxic materials.</li> </ul>



	<ul> <li>make and record observations and</li> </ul>	tissues to organs to systems to		system digests food (enzymes simply	
	<ul> <li>measurements using a range of methods for different investigations; and evaluate the reliability of methods and suggest possible improvements</li> <li>apply mathematical concepts and calculate results</li> <li>present observations and data using appropriate methods, including tables and graphs</li> <li>interpret observations and data, including identifying patterns and using observations, measurements and data to draw conclusions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>organisms.</li> <li>The structure and functions of the human skeleton.</li> <li>The interaction between skeleton and muscles.</li> <li>The function of muscles and examples of antagonistic muscles</li> </ul>		as biological catalysts).	
Previous content that this topic builds upon	<ul> <li>All these skills will then be ongoing through years 7-11.</li> <li>From KS2 NC: <ul> <li>asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them</li> <li>setting up simple practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests</li> <li>making systematic and careful observations and, where appropriate, taking accurate measurements using standard units, using a range of equipment, including thermometers and data loggers</li> <li>gathering, recording, classifying and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions</li> <li>recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables</li> <li>reporting on findings from enquiries, including oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and conclusions</li> <li>using results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further questions</li> <li>identifying differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes</li> <li>using straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or to support their findings</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>From KS1 NC:</li> <li>describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals, including pets)</li> <li>identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense.</li> <li>explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead, and things that have never been alive</li> <li>From KS2 NC:</li> <li>identify that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>From KS2 NC:</li> <li>explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal.</li> <li>describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals.</li> <li>describe the changes as humans develop to old age.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>From KS2 NC:</li> <li>describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans</li> <li>recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function</li> <li>describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans.</li> <li>Simple functions and basic parts of the digestive system in humans.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>From KS2 NC:</li> <li>recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways</li> <li>explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment</li> <li>recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.</li> <li>construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey.</li> <li>describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro-organisms, plants and animals</li> <li>give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics.</li> <li>How animals obtain their food from plants and other animals. Simple food chains and naming difference sources of food.</li> </ul>
Key vocabulary	variables, independent, dependent, control, fair test, measurements, valid, repeatable, mean average, calculate, prediction, hypothesis, valid, metod, results, table, graph, bar chart, axes, label, units, equipment, beaker, test-tube, boiling tube, Bunsen burner, spatula, conical flask, funnel, filter, evaporating bowl, measuring cylinder, stirring rod, gauze, tripod, diagram, conclusion, evaluation, reproducible, the scientific method	Cell, tissue, organ, organ system, organism, nucleus, cytoplasm, mitochondria, ribosomes, cell membrane, cell wall, vacuole, chloroplasts, skeleton, muscles, antagonistic, joints, ligaments, tendons, microscope, specialised cell, unicellular, multicellular, femur, clavicle, scapula, humorous, cranium, rib cage, pelvis, ulna, radius, tibia, fibula, sternum.	Foetus, reproduction, menstrual cycle, gametes, fertilisation, gestation, birth, maternal, placenta, penis, vagina, sperm, egg, ejaculation, bladder, glands, sperm duct, urethra, testis, foreskin, scrotum, oviduct, ovary, uterus, cervix, ovulation, menstruation	Diet, balanced, nutrients, digestion, carbohydrates, protein, lipids, minerals, vitamins, dietary fibre, water, Biuret's, Benedicts, ethanol, emulsification, obesity, energy, deficiencies, iron, iodine, vitamin, mouth, oesophagus, liver, gall bladder, pancreas, small intestine, appendix, stomach, salivary glands, large intestines, rectum, anus, scurvy, rickets, goitre, anemia, enzymes, amylase, protease, lipase, starch, amino acids, fatty acids, bacteria.	Organisms, producer, primary consumer, secondary consumer, tertiary consumer, apex predator, energy, food chain, food web, predator, prey, herbivore, carnivore, omnivore, ecosystem, toxins, accumulate, bioaccumulate, insects, pollination, environment, populations, biodiversity, quadrat, sampling, monoculture, artificial pollination.
Development of cultural capital	<u>https://www.khanacademy.org/science/high-school-biology/hs-biology-foundations/hs-biology-and-the-scientific-method/a/the-science-of-biology</u> The scientific method worksheet	<ul> <li>Understanding how the human body works in more depth and appreciating the biology that makes humans equal.</li> <li>Problems with the human body and how they affect others</li> </ul> FOCUS CAREER: CELLULAR BIOLOGIST	<ul> <li>Understanding how lifestyle choices can impact on a foetus.</li> <li>Start to understand the purpose of using contraception and how fertilisation occurs. This links to PSHE taught in year 8.</li> <li>FOCUS CAREER: IVF TECHNICIAN</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Understand the importance of a balanced diet and a healthy relationship with food.</li> <li>Understand the consequences of severe imbalances in diets.</li> <li>Appreciate that a lot of different diets can be healthy.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Understand what is meant by world food security and appreciate that not all people have access to all foods.</li> <li>Understand the effects of toxins entering the food chain.</li> <li>Appreciate the working world by practicing using quadrats and measuring biodiversity; learning transferable skills.</li> </ul>



# **Biology Curriculum Overview Plan**

Development of reading	Scientific method information sheet comprehension task	https://www.stem.org.uk/system/files/elibrary- resources/legacy_files_migrated/27930-	https://www.tes.com/teaching-resource/ivf- 6400406 IVF debate. Process of IVF, success	https://www.success-stream.co.uk/what-is-an- unbalanced-diet/ Articles about the effects of	DDT build-up comprehension task word document
		StemCells%20debate-kit.pdf Stem cell debate kit. Students use the information given to form opinions. Advise using a whole lesson.	rates and risks.Read the fact sheets and highlight as instructed. Then debate which families should be allowed access	unbalanced diets. NEEDS EDITING!	The importance of bees and what happens when bee populations drop. Extracts from Silent Spring.
Concepts –what will students be able to do at the end of the topic	<ul> <li>Identify careers that involve science</li> <li>Describe how we stay safe in the lab</li> <li>Draw scientific equipment</li> <li>Learn how to use a Bunsen Burner</li> <li>Use the scientific equipment in a practical</li> <li>Interpret graphs to describe what they show</li> <li>Use the scientific method to</li> <li>Identify Variables</li> <li>Design a valid experiment</li> <li>Write a method</li> <li>Analyse simple data</li> <li>Draw simple bar charts</li> <li>Evaluate an experiment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Describe the differences between a general plant and animal cell.</li> <li>Name some specialised cells and describe their adaptations and functions.</li> <li>Identify parts of a microscope and be able to use a microscope to identify cells.</li> <li>Describe the difference between unicellular and multicellular organisms.</li> <li>Describe the difference between cells, tissues and organs. Describe the difference between antagonistic pairs.</li> <li>Describe how muscles work in antagonistic pairs.</li> <li>Name and locate some bones in the human skeleton.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Describe the structure and functions of parts of the female and male reproductive systems.</li> <li>Describe the process of menstruation and causes of low fertility.</li> <li>Describe the role of the mother in supporting and protecting the developing foetus.</li> <li>Describe the effects of difference factors on a developing foetus.</li> <li>Critique claims linked with the effects of smoking in pregnancy.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Describe the components of a healthy diet.</li> <li>Examine the importance of each component of a healthy diet.</li> <li>Compare energy requirements of different healthy diets.</li> <li>Describe positive tests for fats, starch, glucose, protein.</li> <li>Describe physical effects of eating too much/too little.</li> <li>Identify causes and effects of some deficiencies in the diet.</li> <li>Identify organs in the human digestive system.</li> <li>Describe the process of digestion.</li> <li>Describe the importance of enzymes and gut bacteria in digestion.</li> <li>Explain how the structure of each organ is adapted to its function.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Describe how food webs are made up of a number of food chains.</li> <li>Make predictions about factors affecting plant and animal populations.</li> <li>Analyse and evaluate changes in food webs.</li> <li>Describe and explain how toxins enter, pass along and accumulate in food chains.</li> <li>Evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of using pesticides.</li> <li>Describe the impact of low pollination on fruit production.</li> <li>Explain why artificial pollination is used for some crops.</li> <li>Evaluate the risks of monoculture on world food security.</li> <li>Describe ways in which organisms affect their environment.</li> <li>Explain why prey populations affect predator populations.</li> <li>Evaluate a model of predator-prey populations and explain the importance of predators.</li> <li>Describe methods that can be used to measure populations.</li> </ul>

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Year 8	Торіс	Breathing and respiration	1	Photosynthesis	· · ·	Genetics	·
Core knowledge • from this topic •		<ul> <li>How we breathe</li> <li>How we measure breathing (N)</li> <li>What gas exchange is (N)</li> <li>What respiration is (N)</li> <li>How respiration affects sport (N)</li> <li>Difference between aerobic and anaerobic respiration (N)</li> <li>The effects of disease and lifestyle on the lungs (N)</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>What photosynthesis is (N)</li> <li>The structure of the leaf and how leaves</li> <li>The function of the vein and the process</li> <li>The importance of minerals (N)</li> <li>Factors that can affect photosynthesis (N)</li> </ul>	of transpiration (N)	<ul> <li>What variation is (N)</li> <li>What causes variation. (N)</li> <li>The advantages of variation. (N)</li> <li>What natural selection is. (N)</li> <li>What biodiversity is. (N)</li> <li>Causes of extinction. (N)</li> <li>What DNA is. (N)</li> <li>What chromosomes are. (N)</li> <li>What heredity is and how it can be predicted. (N)</li> </ul>	
	Links to the national curriculum	<ul> <li>in humans, including ad</li> <li>The mechanism of breat the lungs, including sime volume.</li> <li>The impact of exercise, human gas exchange s</li> <li>Aerobic and anaerobic of A word summary for ae</li> <li>The process of anaerobic microorganisms, includi summary for anaerobic</li> <li>The differences betwee</li> </ul>	thing to move air in and out of ple measurements of lung asthma and smoking on the ystem. respiration in living organisms. robic respiration. bic respiration in humans and ng fermentation, and a word respiration. n aerobic and anaerobic ne reactants, the products formed	<ul> <li>and water from the soil via their roots.</li> <li>The reactants in, and products of, photosyntl</li> <li>The dependence of almost all life on Earth o plants and algae, to use sunlight in photosynt</li> </ul>	by photosynthesis and gaining mineral nutrients nesis, and a word summary for photosynthesis. In the ability of photosynthetic organisms, such as thesis to build organic molecules that are an of oxygen and carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.	<ul> <li>Heredity as the process by which genetic infor generation to the next.</li> <li>A simple model of chromosomes, genes and E</li> <li>The variation between species and between in means some organisms compete more success selection.</li> <li>Changes in the environment may leave individ entire species, less well adapted to compete s in turn may lead to extinction.</li> <li>The importance of maintaining biodiversity and preserve hereditary material.</li> </ul>	mation is transmitted from one DNA in heredity. Individuals of the same species ssfully, which can drive natural luals within a species, and some luccessfully and reproduce, which



	<ul> <li>The effects of recreational drugs (including substance misuse) on behaviour, health and life processes.</li> </ul>		
Previous content that this topic builds upon	<ul> <li>From KS2 NC:</li> <li>identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood</li> <li>recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function</li> <li>From Previous KS3</li> <li>Function of mitochondria</li> <li>MRS GREN as the 7 life processes</li> <li>Knowledge that the lungs are involved in breathing.</li> <li>Awareness of diseases such as asthma.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>From KS2 NC:</li> <li>identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers</li> <li>explore the requirements of plants for life and growth (air, light, water, nutrients from soil, and room to grow) and how they vary from plant to plant</li> <li>investigate the way in which water is transported within plants</li> </ul> From Previous KS3 <ul> <li>Structure of plant cells.</li> <li>Structure and function of specialised cells such as root hair cells and palisade cells.</li> <li>Function of chloroplasts.</li> <li>Ecosystems - plants as producers.</li> </ul>	From KS2 NC: • recognise that livinformation abou • recognise that livinformation offspring vary ar • identify how aniring different ways ar From Previous KS3 • Reproduction - generation - genera
Key vocabulary	Breathing, respiration, trachea, lungs, diaphragm, ribs, intercostal muscles, pressure, volume, bronchi, bronchioles, alveoli, aerobic, anaerobic, fermentation, gas exchange, glucose, carbon dioxide, oxygen, microbes, cells, reactants, products.	Photosynthesis, chloroplasts, chlorophyll, leaf, carbon dioxide, water, oxygen, glucose, starch, energy, sunlight, transpiration, minerals, evaporate, xylem, phloem, roots, light intensity, cell, deficiency.	Natural selection, gen genetic, environmenta discontinuous, inherite
Development of cultural capital	<ul> <li>Understanding that human are all the same - reduce discrimination and encourage equality.</li> <li>Increase sensitivity and awareness of lung diseases</li> <li>FOCUS CAREER: SPORTS SCIENTIST</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Appreciation for the natural world.</li> <li>Understand the importance of plants.</li> </ul> FOCUS CAREER: BOTANIST	A wider understa the advantages is different.     FOCUS CAREER: GE
Development of reading	https://www.usms.org/fitness-and-training/articles-and- videos/articles/5-reasons-why-swimming-is-great-for-lung- health Bio KS3- Respiration Lung Diseases factsheet- Different lung diseases, in particular, asthma.	<u>Minerals in plants</u> - taking information on factsheet and putting into a table to summarise. Looking at how greenhouses can increase the rate of photosynthesis.	Royal family example
Concepts –what will students be able to do at the end of the topic	<ul> <li>Describe the mechanism of breathing.</li> <li>Explain how pressure changes help us breathe.</li> <li>Describe lung volume and how to measure it.</li> <li>Describe features of the human gas exchange system and explain how features enable gases to be exchanged.</li> <li>Distinguish between respiration and breathing.</li> <li>Recall the equations for respiration and explain the importance of respiration.</li> <li>Describe anaerobic respiration.</li> <li>Describe anaerobic respiration.</li> <li>Explain what oxygen debt is.</li> <li>Recall the equation for fermentation and describe some applications of fermentation.</li> <li>Describe and explain some effects of disease and lifestyle on the breathing system.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>State the equation for photosynthesis.</li> <li>Describe a method to show that chlorophyll is essential for photosynthesis.</li> <li>Relate the size of the leaf to the availability of light.</li> <li>Relate the function of the leaf to its structure and the types of cell.</li> <li>Evaluate the structures of a cell related to its function. Define transpiration.</li> <li>Identify and explain how water and minerals move through a plant.</li> <li>Evaluate the cell structures that allow movement of water and minerals through a plant.</li> <li>Identify the minerals essential to healthy plant growth.</li> <li>Explain the effects of a deficiency in essential minerals.</li> <li>Identify the factors that can affect photosynthesis.</li> <li>Predict results of investigations.</li> <li>Interpret secondary data about photosynthesis.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Describe what is</li> <li>Explain the different identify whether</li> <li>Identify whether</li> <li>Understand that</li> <li>Describe the impresent impresent</li></ul>

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Year 9	Торіс	Cells and Microscopy	Plant Structure	Photosynthesis	Enzymes and Digestion	Respiration	Immune system
	Core knowledge from this topic	<ul> <li>Identify eukaryotic and prokaryotic cells</li> <li>Describe subcellular structures</li> <li>Describe and explain specialised cells</li> <li>Types of stem cell and differentiation (N)</li> <li>Types of microscopes (N)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Structure of a leaf and adaptations</li> <li>Main transport systems of the plant.</li> <li>Structural differences between xylem and phloem. (N)</li> <li>Transpiration in leaves and using a potometer. (N)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Why plants carry out photosynthesis.</li> <li>The reactants and products, construction of word and balanced symbol equation.</li> <li>Uses of glucose in plants and</li> <li>investigating light as a limiting factor of photosynthesis (RP)</li> <li>Applying inverse square law. (N)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Organs of the digestive system and their functions.</li> <li>The role of digestive enzymes, testing foods for particular food groups (RP)</li> <li>Structure and Function of enzymes.</li> <li>Investigating the effect of pH on enzyme activity at a constant temperature (RP). (N)</li> <li>The role of bile. (N)</li> <li>Adaptations of the small intestine. (N)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Aerobic respiration reactants, products, word and balanced symbol equations.</li> <li>Anaerobic respiration reactants, products, word and balanced symbol equations.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>What are communicable and non-communicable diseases (N)</li> <li>Definition of a pathogen and named examples(N)</li> <li>Non-specific and specific body defences</li> <li>Vaccination</li> <li>Development of drugs. (N)</li> </ul>

: living things have changed over time and that fossils provide yout living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago : living things produce offspring of the same kind, but normally and are not identical to their parents

nimals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in and that adaptation may lead to evolution.

- genes and gametes.

enes, heredity, DNA, species, chromosomes, extinction, variation, ntal, biodiversity, gene banks, offspring, adaptations, continuous, rited, nucleus, environment, gametes.

standing of variation amongst the humans and an appreciation of es of variation. Students can explain why it is good that everybody

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- t is meant by variation in a species.
- fference between continuous and discontinuous variations.
- er a feature is inherited or determined by the environment.
- nat offspring from the same parents may show variation.
- mportance of variation.
- variation may help a species survive.
- variation causes competition for resources and drives natural
- t is meant by biodiversity and explain its importance.
- es that can cause a species to become extinct.
- e chromosomes are and that they carry inherited genetic
- escribe structure of DNA.
- fertilised egg contains a full set of chromosomes.
- some genetic disorders arise.
- ted characteristics and explain how inherited differences arise.
- identical twins arise and analyse data about their features.
- to represent inheritance of a trait.
- elihood of offspring inheriting specific traits.



	<ul> <li>Applying the magnification equation (N)</li> <li>Preparing, observing and drawing cells from microscope slides and producing a scale bar (RP) (N)</li> <li>Describing aseptic techniques and why they are used.</li> <li>Culturing microorganisms using aseptic techniques to investigate the effect of different antimicrobial substances. (BIO ONLY RP)</li> <li>Calculate zone of inhibition to conclude effect of different</li> </ul>	The effects of environmental factors on the rate of transpiration. (N)	<ul> <li>Manipulating factors of photosynthesis. (N)</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Comparing aerobic and anaerobic respiration in animals and plants/fungi.</li> <li>Oxygen debt and fermentation. (N)</li> <li>Physical effects of exercise on the body. (N)</li> <li>Metabolism including anabolic and catabolic reactions. (N)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Culturing microorganisms including using aseptic techniques (T)</li> <li>Calculating colony size using area of a circle (T)</li> <li>Producing monoclonal antibodies and their uses (T)</li> <li>Detecting and identifying plant diseases, plant defences (physical and chemical). (T)</li> </ul>
Links to the national curriculum	antimicrobial substances. 4.1.1.1 Eukaryotes and Prokaryotes, 4.1.1.2 Animal and Plant Cells, 4.1.1.3 Cell Specialisation, 4.1.1.4 Cell differentiation, 4.1.1.5 Microscopy, 4.1.2.3 Stem cells, 4.1.1.6 Culturing Microorganisms	4.2.3.1 Plant Tissues, 4.2.3.2 Plant organs	4.4.1.1 Photosynthetic reactions, 4.4.1.2 Rate of photosynthesis, 4.4.1.3 Uses of glucose	4.2.1 Principles of organisation, 4.2.2.1 Human Digestive system,	4.4.2.1 Aerobic and anaerobic respiration, 4.2.2.2 Response to exercise, 4.2.2.3 Metabolism	4.3.1.1 Communicable diseases, 4.3.1.2 Viral diseases, 4.3.1.3 Bacterial diseases, 4.3.1.4 Fungal diseases, 4.3.1.5 Protist diseases, 4.3.1.6 Human Defence system, 4.3.1.7 Vaccination, 4.3.1.8 Antibiotics and painkillers, 4.3.1.9 Discovery and development of drugs, 4.2.2.6 Effect of lifestyle on non-communicable diseases 4.1.1.6 Culturing microorganisms, 4.3.2.1 Producing monoclonal antibodies, 4.3.2.2. Uses of monoclonal antibodies, 4.3.3.1 Detection and Identification of Plant Diseases, 4.3.3.2 Plant Defence Responses,
Previous content that this topic builds upon	KS3 topic of cells.	KS3 topic of photosynthesis	KS3 topic of photosynthesis	KS3 topic of digestion.	KS3 topic of breathing and respiration.	KS3 topic of pathogens and disease.
Key vocabulary	Eukaryote, prokaryote, nucleus, cell membrane, cytoplasm, ribosome, mitochondria, chloroplast, cell wall, vacuole, specialised, differentiated, undifferentiated, stem cell, meristem, embryonic, adult stem cell	Transpiration, transpiration stream, evaporation, diffusion, xylem, phloem, translocation, stomata, guard cell, palisade layer, spongy layer, epidermis, waxy cuticle, vascular bundle, potometer, light intensity, temperature, wind, humidity	Carbon dioxide, water, oxygen, glucose, light, chlorophyll, starch, cellulose, lipids, proteins, limiting factor, rate	Enzyme, active site, specific, substrate, product, optimum, denatured, pH, temperature, saturated, carbohydrates, amylase, protease, lipases	Aerobic respiration, anaerobic respiration, glucose (reducing sugars), oxygen, energy (ATP), lactic acid, fermentation, oxygen debt, metabolism, heart rate, blood flow, cardiac output	Pathogen, virus, bacterium, protist, fungi, communicable, non- communicable, air borne, foodborne, vector, transmission, vaccination, primary response, secondary response, clinical trials, placebo, double blind trial Monoclonal antibodies, Hybridoma, Nitrate deficiency, Magnesium
Development of cultural capital	Using stem cells to treat/cure medical conditions in today's society.	FOCUS CAREER: BOTANIST, HORTICULTURAL MANAGER, IRRIGATION ENGINEER	FOCUS CAREER: BOTANIST, HORTICULTURAL MANAGER	FOCUS CAREER: NUTRITIONIST, DIETITIAN, FOOD SCIENTIST	FOCUS CAREER: EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGIST, PHYSICAL THERAPIST	deficiency, Physical, Chemical, Mechanical FOCUS CAREER: MEDICAL SALES REPRESENTATIVE, CLINICAL SCIENTIST, PATHOLOGIST, PHARMACIST, DOCTOR, VET, RADIOGRAPHER
Development of reading	MICROBIOLOGIST, BIOTECHNOLOGIST					



# **Biology Curriculum Overview Plan**

Concepts –what will students be able to do at the end of the topic	<ul> <li>Identify animal, plant and bacterial cells</li> <li>recognise and describe organelles</li> <li>compare light and electron microscopes</li> <li>use magnification equation to validate magnification, actual and and image size,</li> <li>what stem cells are, medical uses of stem cells, specialised cells and how they are adapted and link structure to function.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Describe the role of stomata and guard cells</li> <li>define transpiration, factors that affect transpiration,</li> <li>explain the role of xylem and phloem</li> <li>analysing structure of the leaf organ,</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Define what photosynthesis is,</li> <li>construct word and symbol equation</li> <li>describe and explain limiting factors</li> <li>how plants use glucose</li> <li>investigating rate of reaction of photosynthesis (RP)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Describe the role of the digestive system and functions of the organs.</li> <li>Conduct food tests (RP) and know why food tests give qualitative results.</li> <li>Know the structure and function of an enzyme and link the link and key theory to specificity at the active site.</li> <li>Know the sources of digestive enzymes (carbohydrases, proteases and lipases) and what substrates they act on.</li> <li>To investigate the action of enzyme in range of different pH values linking to rate of reaction (RP).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Describe wh carry out res</li> <li>state the rea of both aerol and be able symbol equa reactions.</li> <li>To link the e the rate of re metabolism metabolic re</li> </ul>
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Year 10	Topic Core knowledge from this topic	<ul> <li>Cardiovascular</li> <li>Structure of the human heart, including key adaptations (N)</li> <li>Journey of the blood through the heart, types of blood vessels and how they are adapted to their function (N)</li> <li>components of blood including adaptation of red blood cells (N)</li> <li>Structure of lungs, gas exchange and adaptations of alveoli.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Cell Transport</li> <li>Diffusion and factors that affect the rate of diffusion.</li> <li>Location of diffusion surfaces in the body. (N)</li> <li>Active transport and locations in organisms (N)</li> <li>Osmosis in root hair cells, Investigating osmosis in plant tissues (RP) (N)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>What is biodiversity (N)</li> <li>Management of waste as a result of human activity (N)</li> <li>Land use and deforestation and the effects, global warming and the effects (N)</li> <li>Maintaining and monitoring biodiversity. (N)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Evolution</li> <li>What variation is</li> <li>The causes or variation and the differences between continuous and discontinuous variation including which charts are used to present data</li> <li>Selective breeding and its advantages and disadvantages,</li> <li>Evolution by natural selections,</li> <li>Evidence to support evolution. (N)</li> <li>Fossil formation and extinction. (N)</li> <li>Darwin's Theory of Evolution compared to the work of Alfred Wallcae and Lamarck.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Genetics</li> <li>Difference between sexual and asexual reproduction (N)</li> <li>Link between chromosomes, genes and DNA (N)</li> <li>Cell cycle and mitosis (N)</li> <li>Meiosis and how it compares to mitosis (N)</li> <li>Stem cells and their uses,</li> <li>Genetic engineering and its advantages and disadvantages. (N)</li> <li>Understanding genetics using Mendel's pea experiments.</li> <li>Construction of a timeline to show how developments in technology are linked to advances in the field of genetics.</li> <li>Describe what cloning is and the techniques that can be used (embryo transplantation and nuclear fusion.</li> <li>Comparing sexual and asexual reproduction.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ecology</li> <li>Classification of living organisms using Linnaean system and comparison to Woese 3 domain system. (N)</li> <li>Communities and interdependence. (N)</li> <li>Biotic and abiotic factors. (N)</li> <li>Adaptations including functional, structural and behavioural adaptations. (N)</li> <li>Sampling of a population (estimating populations and transect line). (N)</li> <li>Food chains and energy transfer. (N)</li> <li>Cycles in nature. (N)</li> </ul>
	Links to the national curriculum (if applicable)	4.2.2.2 The heart and blood vessels, 4.2.2.3 Blood, 4.2.2.4 Heart Disease	4.1.3.1 Diffusion, 4.1.3.2 Osmosis, 4.1.3.3 Active Transport	<ul> <li>4.7.3.1 Biodiversity, 4.7.3.2 Waste Management, 4.7.3.3 Land use, 4.7.3.4 Deforestation, 4.7.3.5 Global Warming, 4.7.3.6 Biofuels</li> </ul>	4.6.2.1 Variation, 4.6.2.2 Evolution, 4.6.2.3 Selective Breeding, 4.6.3.4 Evidence for Evolution, 4.6.3.5 Fossils, 4.6.3.6 Extinction, 4.6.3.7 Resistant Bacteria	4.6.1.1 Sexual and Asexual reproduction, 4.1.2.1 Chromosomes, 4.1.2.2 Mitosis, 4.6.1.2 Meiosis, 4.6.1.4 DNA and the genome, 4.6.1.6 Genetic Inheritance, 4.6.1.7 Inherited Disorders, 4.6.1.8 Sex Determination, 4.6.2.4 Genetic Engineering	4.7.1.1 Communities,4.7.1.2 Abiotic factors, 4.7.1.3 Biotic factors, 4.7.1.4 Adaptations, 4.7.2.1 Organisation of an ecosystem, 4.7.2.2 How materials are cycled
	Previous content that this topic builds upon	KS3 topic of cells and KS4 specialised cells.	KS3 topic of Cells.	KS3 topic of ecosystems.	KS3 topic of Genetics.	KS3 topic of Genetics.	KS3 topic of ecosystems.

e why all living organisms ut respiration le reactants and products aerobic and anaerobic able to write word and equations for both ns. the effect of exercise on e of respiration and what blism is and examples of blic reactions in the body.	•	To define what a pathogen is and to name the four groups of microorganisms that can be pathogenic (viruses, bacteria, protists, fungi). To name diseases caused by each of the pathogenic groups. To know what a vaccine is and why it is done and link to ideas of herd immunity. To describe the process of drug development and explaining the role of a double blind trial and placebo. Explain how monoclonal antibodies are produced and how they can be used. To examine the effects of nitrate and magnesium deficiency in plants, how plants can physically and chemically defend themselves and how plant diseases are diagnosed.



Key vocabulary	Circulatory system, atria, ventricles, vein, capillary, artery, pulmonary, red blood cells, white blood cells, platelets, plasma, double circulatory system, Sino Atrial Node, myogenic, oxygenated, deoxygenated	High concentration, low concentration, passive, semi- permeable, hypertonic, hypotonic, isotonic, concentration gradient, energy, mitochondria, temperature, distance	Pollution, Global Warming, Greenhouse effect, recycling, conservation, endangered, bioaccumulation	Variation, inherited, environmental, natural selection, selective breeding, , fossils, extinction, fossil record. Isolation, geographical, behavioural, structural	Sexual reproduction asexu meiosis, mitosis, DNA, gen gamete, haploid, diploid, al homozygous, genotype, ph fibrosis, polydactyly, mutat engineering Nucleotide, Tissue culture, transplants, Adult cell cloni
Development of cultural capital	FOCUS CAREER: CARDIOLOGIST,	FOCUS CAREER: CELLULAR SCIENTIST	FOCUS CAREER: ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT, AGRONO,IST, COUNTRYSIDE RANGER	FOCUS CAREER: PALEONTOLOGIST	FOCUS CAREER: GENET
Development of reading				On the Origin of Species by means of Natural Selection: Charles Darwin	
Concepts –what will students be able to do at the end of the topic	<ul> <li>To know the gross structures of the heart including the blood vessels that bring blood to and take blood away from the heart.</li> <li>To know the journey of blood through the heart using the acronym 'VAVA'.</li> <li>Describe the components of blood and their functions.</li> <li>To explain the difference between oxygenated and deoxygenated blood.</li> <li>To know where gas exchange occurs in humans, plants and fish, and know how alveoli are adapted for efficient gas exchange.</li> <li>Describe what Coronary Heart Disease is, causes and evaluate available treatments.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Describe what diffusion is and how different factors affect the rate of diffusion.</li> <li>To describe what osmosis is and how it affects plant and animal cells and follow up with an investigation into the effect of a range of saline conditions on the mass of plant tissue (RP).</li> <li>To describe what active transport is and why areas where it occurs require carrier proteins and increased numbers of mitochondria.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To describe what biodiversityis,</li> <li>How human activity is threatening it and programmes to try to maintain it.Examine the effects of pollution, land use and deforestation on biodiversity.To explain what global warming is and link to species becoming endangered.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To define what variation is,</li> <li>know the causes of variation and know which chart to use to present continuous and discontinuous data.</li> <li>Describe what selective breeding is, the process it is carried out by and compare the advantages and disadvantages.</li> <li>To name the scientist who came up with the theory of evolution by Natural Selection and describe the process</li> <li>How the fossil record supporting his ideas and the limitations of the record.</li> <li>How fossils are formed and how species become extinct.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Describe the differen and asexual reprodu</li> <li>To state that cells div meiosis and understa between the two proc</li> <li>Describe the genetic nucleus, where gene an allele is.</li> <li>To know the possible an individual and use probabilities of offspr phenotypes using a p</li> <li>To analyse cystic fibr including symptoms,</li> <li>how embryos through undergo embryo screet</li> </ul>

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Year 11	Торіс		Homeostasis	Nervous System	Biodiversity 2 (TRIPLE ONLY)		
	Core knowledge from this topic		<ul> <li>What the endocrine system is and the m ain endocrine glands and hormones they secrete (N).</li> <li>Regulation of blood glucose by insulin (and glucagon HT) (N).</li> <li>Comparing type I and Type II diabetes and using Benedicts reagent to test model urine samples for glucose (N).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>State what homeostasis in living organisms is. (N)</li> <li>Functions of the nervous systems and conscious and reflex actions.</li> <li>Recall general structure of a neurone.</li> <li>The neurones (structure and adaptation) involved in the nervous system. (N)</li> <li>Synapses and factors that affect synaptic activity. (N)</li> <li>Investigating reaction time (RP) (N)</li> <li>The gross structures of the brain including how brain activity can be studied and the limitations of these tests. (T)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Decomposition and factors that affect the rate of decay.</li> <li>Impact of environmental change on a species.</li> <li>Describe the term trophic level.</li> <li>COnstruct pyramids of number and biomass and calculate efficiency of biomass transfer between trophic levels.</li> <li>Food Security and factors that affect it.</li> <li>Sustainable farming techniques.</li> <li>Biotechnology and GM foods.</li> </ul>		

exual reproduction, gene, chromosome, I, allele, heterozygous, , phenotype, cystic utation, genetic	Ecosystem, community, interdependence, abiotic factors, biotic factors, adaptations, producer, primary consumer, secondary consumer, predator, quadrat, sampling, water cycle, carbon cycle
ure, Cuttings, Embryo loning, Speciation	
NETICIST	FOCUS CAREER: ECOLOGIST, ORNITHOLOGIST
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Links to the national curriculum (if applicable)	NA	<ul> <li>Menstrual cycle stages.</li> <li>How FSH, LH, Oestrogen and Progesterone regulate the menstrual cycle (N).</li> <li>Process of IVF.</li> <li>How menstrual hormones can be used to increase fertility. (N).</li> <li>The role of negative feedback in the body with reference to adrenaline and thyroxine (HIGHER TIER) (N).</li> <li>Control of body temperature by negative feedback and including vasodilation and vasoconstriction. (T)</li> <li>Maintaining water balance focussing on the kidney and the role of ADH. (T)</li> <li>Maintaining nitrogen balance via production and excretion of urea. (T)</li> <li>Plant hormones including geotropism and phototropism. (T)</li> <li>4.5.1 Homeostasis, 4.5.2.1 Structure and Function of Nervous system, 4.5.3.1 Human Endocrine System, 4.5.3.2 Control of blood glucose concentration, 4.5.3.4 Hormones in human reproduction. 4.5.3.5</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The gross structure of the eye and accommodation of the lens to focus on near and far objects. (T)</li> <li>4.5.2.2 The brain, 4.5.2.3 The eye, 4.6.1.3 Advantages and disadvantages of sexual and asexual reproduction, 4.6.1.5 DNA structure and protein synthesis, 4.6.2.5 Cloning, 4.6.3.1 Theory of Evolution, 4.6.3.2 Speciation, 4.6.3.3 Understanding of genetics,</li> </ul>	4.7.2.3 Decomposition, 4.7.2.4 Impact of Environmental change, 4.7.4.1 Trophic levels, 4.7.4.2 Pyramids of biomass, 4.7.4.3 Transfer of biomass, 4.7.5.1 Factors affecting food security, 4.7.5.2 Farming Techniques, 4.7.5.3 Farming Techniques, 4.7.5.4 Role of biotechnology	
		and excretion of urea. (T)			
		including geotropism			
curriculum (if	NA	Structure and Function of Nervous system, 4.5.3.1 Human Endocrine System, 4.5.3.2 Control of blood glucose concentration, 4.5.3.4 Hormones in human reproduction, 4.5.3.5 Contraception 4.5.3.6 Hormones to treat infertility (HT only), 4.5.3.7 Negative feedback 4.5.2.4 Control of body temperature, 4.5.3.3. Maintaining water and nitrogen balance, 4.5.4.1 Control and coordination of plant hormones, 4.5.4.2 Uses of plant hormones KS3 topic of cells,	Advantages and disadvantages of sexual and asexual reproduction, 4.6.1.5 DNA structure and protein synthesis, 4.6.2.5 Cloning, 4.6.3.1 Theory of Evolution, 4.6.3.2 Speciation, 4.6.3.3 Understanding	Environmental change, 4.7.4.1 Trophic levels, 4.7.4.2 Pyramids of biomass, 4.7.4.3 Transfer of biomass, 4.7.5.1 Factors affecting food security, 4.7.5.2 Farming Techniques, 4.7.5.3 Farming Techniques, 4.7.5.4 Role of	
that this topic builds upon		organisation and systems.		and ecosystems.	

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Key vocabulary	Endocrine system, insulin,	Homeostasis, stimulus, receptor, coordination centre,		
	glucagon, type I diabettes, Type II diabetes, oestrogen, Progesterone, Follice Stimulating Hormone (FSH), Lutenising hormone (LH), In Vitro Fertilisation	effector, response, reflex action, Motor neurone, sensory neurone, relay neurone Cerebral cortex, Medulla, Cerebellum, MRI, Accommodation, Myopia, Hyperopia, Vasodilation, Vasoconstriction, Deamination, Selective reabsorption, ADH, Thyroxine	Decomposers, pyramid of biomass, food security, mycoprotein	
Development of cultural capital	FOCUS CAREER: EMBRYOLOGIST	FOCUS CAREER: OPTOMETRIST, NEUROLOGICAL SURGEON		
Development of reading				
Concepts –what will students be able to do at the end of the topic		To know what homeostasis means. Describe the main structures of the nervous system. State what the endocrine system is and describe the main endocrine glands and the hormones they release. Describe how the menstrual cycle is regulated by hormones. To describe how IVF works and examine advantages and disadvantages.	Name the gross structures of the brain, how brain activity can be sampled and the limitations of these methods. State the gross structures of the eye and explain their functions and how the ciliary muscles and suspensory ligaments alter the shape of the lens to allow focus on near and far objects (accomodation). Describe what myopia and hyperopia is and how these can be corrected using concave and convex lenses. State the methods of cloning, describe how plants can be cloned and compare cloning by cuttings and tissue culture in plants. To explain what speciation is and the factors that lead to its occurrence. How Alred Wallace devised the theory and collaborated with Charles Darwin on the theory of evolution by Natural Selection. Explain the role of decomposers in ecosystems, what pyramids of numbers and biomass show and calculating efficiency between trophic levels. Examining food security and the impacts on society and what mycoprotein is and how it is being utilised in the wider world.	

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