

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Knowledge & Skills	Cell Biology <ul style="list-style-type: none">Microscopy – preparing and observing slidesEukaryotic & ProkaryoticCell SpecialismCell Transport - osmosis and osmosis required practical, diffusion, active transportCell DivisionMitosisCell differentiationCancer & cancer treatmentStem cells & stem cell dilemmas Organisation <ul style="list-style-type: none">Organ systemsDigestive systemFood tests required practicalEnzymes – as catalysts, digestiveEnzymes required practicalBlood & blood vesselsHeart & Circulatory systemCoronary heart diseaseLungsMetabolismNon-communicable disease	Communicable Disease <ul style="list-style-type: none">Human defencesPreventing infectionBacterial, viral, protist and fungal diseasesDiscovery & development of drugsDifferences between antibiotics & painkillersVaccinationCulturing Microorganisms (SS only)Monoclonal antibodies & their uses (SS only)	Bioenergetics <ul style="list-style-type: none">Plant tissuesPhotosynthetic reactionRate of photosynthesis and required practicalUses of glucoseTransport systems in plantsEvaporation & TranspirationFungal DiseasesPlant Diseases (SS only)Plant Defences (SS only)Respiration – aerobic & anaerobicResponse to exercise
Links to prior learning	Year 7 Cells <ul style="list-style-type: none">cells as the fundamental unit of living organisms, including how to observe, interpret and record cell structure using a light microscopethe functions of the cell wall, cell membrane, cytoplasm, nucleus, vacuole, mitochondria and chloroplaststhe similarities and differences between plant and animal cellsthe role of diffusion in the movement of materials in and between cellsstructural adaptations of some unicellular organismsthe hierarchical organisation of multicellular organisms: from cells to tissues to organs to systems to organisms Year 8 Nutrition & Digestion <ul style="list-style-type: none">content of a healthy human diet: carbohydrates, lipids (fats and oils), proteins, vitamins, minerals, dietary fibre and water, and why each is neededcalculations of energy requirements in a healthy daily dietthe consequences of imbalances in the diet, including obesity, starvation and deficiency diseasesthe tissues and organs of the human digestive system, including adaptations to function and how the digestive system digests food (enzymes simply as biological catalysts)the importance of bacteria in the human digestive system		Year 9 Photosynthesis <ul style="list-style-type: none">the reactants in, and products of, photosynthesis, and a word summary for photosynthesisthe dependence of almost all life on Earth on the ability of photosynthetic organisms, such as plants and algae, to use sunlight in photosynthesis to build organic molecules that are an essential energy store and to maintain levels of oxygen and carbon dioxide in the atmospherethe adaptations of leaves for photosynthesis Year 8 Health <ul style="list-style-type: none">aerobic and anaerobic respiration in living organisms, including the breakdown of organic molecules to enable all the other chemical processes necessary for lifea word summary for aerobic respirationthe process of anaerobic respiration in humans and micro-organisms, including fermentation, and a word summary for anaerobic respirationthe differences between aerobic and anaerobic respiration in terms of the reactants, the products formed and the implications for the organism
Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Cell structures & microscopes assessmentOsmosis formative assessmentCells & cell transport assessmentCell division assessmentFood tests formative assessmentEnzymes & digestion assessmentHeart & circulatory disease assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Infection & response formative assessmentMicrobiology formative assessment (SS only)Infection & response assessmentYear 10 mock exam	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Photosynthesis formative assessmentPlants & photosynthesis assessmentRespiration & gas exchange assessment
Home learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none">EducakeGCSEpodPast paper exam questionsReading comprehensions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">EducakeGCSEpodPast paper exam questionsReading comprehensions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">EducakeGCSEpodPast paper exam questionsReading comprehensions
Cultural Capital and extra-curricular opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Runshaw more able gifted and talented eventScience Live Manchester	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Year 9/10 trip to Geneva or Iceland	
Literacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Key words & definitionsEtymology of keywordsRobert Hooke reading comprehensionHenrietta Lacks reading comprehensionMeristem cells reading comprehensionStem Cells reading comprehensionSmoking – lung cancer reading comprehension	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Key words & definitionsEtymology of keywordsSemmelweis & germ theory reading comprehensionDefending the body from pathogens guided reading taskFungal diseases guided reading taskHuman defence systems guided reading taskVaccines guided reading task	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Key words & definitionsEtymology of keywordsSeagrass meadows reading comprehensionHelping us to breathe guided reading taskPhotosynthesis guided reading taskUses of glucose guided reading task

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr Beaumont (digestion) reading comprehension• Exchanging substances guided reading task	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thalidomide article• Measles article• Anthrax article	
Numeracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Converting units• Magnification calculations• Calculating % change• Calculating BMI	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Interpreting data	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Limiting factor graphs• Calculating rates
Careers Information, Education, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lab technician• Water & sewerage plant operative• Medical radiographer• Medical practitioner• Dietician• Nurse	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Health & safety officers• Podiatrist	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Personal trainer• Environmental officer
Spirituality	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Empathy and compassion for others• Self awareness• Awe and wonder of the plant kingdom	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Self care and respect for ourselves and our bodies• Respect for the part that people have played in the fight of disease• Empathy for those suffering from disease and those who do not have access to medicine and medical care	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awe and wonder of the plant kingdom• Respect for the environment
How can parents support the curriculum?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Encourage use of Congnito Science (if purchased)• Encourage use of Educake• Provide a study area and resources• Encourage students to engage in what they have learned in class independently	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Encourage use of Congnito Science (if purchased)• Encourage use of Educake• Provide a study area and resources• Encourage students to engage in what they have learned in class independently	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Encourage use of Congnito Science (if purchased)• Encourage use of Educake• Provide a study area and resources• Encourage students to engage in what they have learned in class independently