

CURRICULUM PLAN

TRIPLE SCIENCE BIOLOGY (EDEXCEL 9-1)
BRAMHALL HIGH SCHOOL

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Curriculum Intent

It is our intention as Science Department to provide all children, regardless of their prior learning, background, or special needs, with a broad and balanced science curriculum. We aim to promote positive attitudes to science as an interesting and enjoyable subject. To develop pupils` awareness of how science impacts on their everyday life.

Pupils are encouraged to develop their practical skills, to work collaboratively and to query and evaluate scientific evidence.

We aim to cultivate an environment conducive to learning. We encourage and value our pupils' opinions, ideas, and contributions. Similarly, we expect pupils to strive for excellence and respect the contributions of other adults and their peers. Our intention is for pupils to enjoy their learning, to be resilient, make progress and achieve at an appropriate level.

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	YEAR 10						
Term	Programme of Learning	Links to the National Curriculum / Specification / Additional	Assessments	What extra learning opportunities are planned?	Disciplinary Literacy		
Term la	SB3 Genetics - Sexual reproduction - Asexual reproduction - Meiosis - DNA - Protein synthesis - Genetic variants and phenotypes	Evolution, inheritance and variation Analysis and evaluation	CPR – Genetics related question CPR – Protein synthesis related question	Investigate correlations between different variation features, e.g. arm length and height. Research the methods involved in the human genome project.	Tier 1: DNA, gene. Tier 2: Embryo, mutation. Tier 3: *Meiosis, gametes.		
Term 1b	SB3 Genetics - Mendel - Alleles - Inheritance - Multiple & missing alleles - Gene mutations - Variation	Evolution, inheritance and variation Analysis and evaluation	CPR - Inheritance related question CPR - Selective breeding/genetic engineering related question B3 End of topic test	Research the ABO blood groups.	Tier 1: Sexual, gene. Tier 2: dominant, recessive. Tier 3: *Homozygous, heterozygous.		

Term 2a	SB4 Natural selection and genetic modification - Human evolution - Darwin's theory - Development of Darwin's theory - Classification - Breeds and varieties	Evolution, inheritance and variation The development of scientific thinking	CPR – Fertilisers and biological control related question B4 End of topic test	Contrast the theory of natural selection from Darwin and Wallace with the work of Lamarck.	Tier 1: Handy man, survival of the fittest. Tier 2: *Evolution, natural selection, species, common ancestor. Tier 3: Human genome project, antibiotic resistance.
Term 2b	SB4 Natural selection and genetic modification - Tissue culture - Genes in agriculture and medicine - GM and agriculture - Fertilisers and biological control SB5 Health, disease and the development of medicines - Health and disease - Non-communicable diseases - Cardiovascular disease	Evolution, inheritance and variation The development of scientific thinking	Year 10 Exams CPR – Disease related question	Research the current status of growing genetically modified crops in the UK and other countries.	Tier 1: Disease. Tier 2: Artificial, extinction, *differentiation. Tier 3: Selective breeding, genetic engineering, restriction enzymes.

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Term 3a	SB5 Health, disease and the development of medicines - Pathogens - Spreading pathogens - Virus lifecycles - Immune system - Monoclonal antibodies	Health, disease and the development of medicines Analysis and evaluation	CPR – Virus related question CPR – Photosynthesis related question 5.18B Investigate the effects of antiseptics, B5 End of topic test	Research recommended levels of exercise, dietary and alcohol intake. Research values for high and low blood pressure.	Tier 1: Health, disease. Tier 2: Infection, virus, bacteria. Tier 3: Ebola, *communicable, malaria, vectors.
Term 3b	SB6 Plant structure and their function - Photosynthesis - Photosynthesis factors - Absorbing water - Absorbing minerals - Transpiration - Translocation - Plant adaptations - Plant hormones - Uses of plant hormones	Photosynthesis	CPR – Transport in plants related questions CPR – Plant hormone related question B6 End of topic test	Investigate the effect of different coloured light on the rate of photosynthesis.	Tier 1: Light, carbon dioxide, Tier 2: Optimum. Tier 3: *Photosynthesis, chloroplasts, chlorophyll, palisade cells.

	YEAR 11						
Term	Programme of Learning	Links to the National Curriculum / Specification / Additional	Assessments	What extra learning opportunities are planned?	Disciplinary Literacy		
Term la	SB7 Animal coordination, control and homeostasis - Hormones -Hormonal control of metabolic rate - The menstrual cycle - Hormones and the menstrual cycle - Control of blood glucose	Coordination and control	CPR – Hormone related question CPR – Homeostasis related question	Research the effects on the body if the hormones are not produced at the correct level. Calculate sugar intakes of different foods and how starchy foods increase blood glucose levels.	Tier 1: Puberty, period, contraception. Tier 2: Menstruation, ovulation, *fertilisation. Tier 3: Oestrogen, progesterone, negative feedback.		
Term 1b	SB7 Animal coordination, control and homeostasis - Type 2 diabetes - Thermoregulation - Osmoregulation - The kidneys	Coordination and control	CPR – Kidney system related question	Research the long-term side effects of diabetes type 1 and type 2.	Tier 1: Tier 2: Hormone. Tier 3: *Endocrine glands, pancreas, insulin, glucagon, metabolic rate, glycogen.		

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Term 2a	SB8 Exchange and transport in animals - Efficient transport and exchange - Factors affecting diffusion - The circulatory system - The heart - Cellular respiration	Transport systems Analysis and evaluation	CPR – Circulatory system related question CPR – Respiration related question 8.11 Investigate the rate of respiration B8 End of topic test	Interpret heart traces under different conditions. Explain why specific cell types have more mitochondria than others.	Tier 1: Glucose, oxygen, carbon dioxide. Tier 2: Heart rate, *respiration Tier 3: Exothermic, aerobic, anaerobic, mitochondria, lactic acid.
Term 2b	SB9 Ecosystems and material cycles - Ecosystems - Energy transfer - Abiotic factors and communities - Biotic factors and communities - Assessing pollution	Transport systems Analysis and evaluation	Year 11 Mocks 9.5 Investigate the relationship between organisms	Show examples, e.g. chicken / fish farming, to show ways to limit energy loss at trophic levels.	Tier 1: Disease, fossil fuels. Tier 2: Ecosystem, community, populations. Tier 3: *Biotic, abiotic, quadrat.

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Term 3a	SB9 Ecosystems and material cycles - Parasitism & mutualism - Biodiversity & humans - Preserving biodiversity - Food security - The water cycle - The carbon cycle - The nitrogen cycle - Rates of decomposition	Ecosystems Vocabulary, units, symbols and nomenclature	B9 End of topic test	Study a specific endangered animal to explain the cause of its population decrease.	Tier 1: Conservation. Tier 2: Indigenous, reforestation, captivity. Tier 3: Food security, biofuels, biodiversity, *eutrophication, decomposition,
Term 3b	Consolidation activities Core Practical Review				