



<u>Curriculum Overview for Biology</u> <u>Year 10</u>

Half Term 1: Cells and Organisation		Skim and Scan of source
		information
Substantive Knowledge:		Decoding terms
Cell transport methods; diffusion, osmosis and		Etymology of key terms
active transport		, , ,
Surface area and volume ratio		
Structure and function of xylem, phloem and		Xylem, phloem, transpiration,
root hair cells		root, pathogen, virus, bacteria,
Transpiration stream as a transport system		
Hierarchical system: cells, tissues and organs		
Organ systems:		
Practical – food tests		Recall questions to start every
		lesson
Disciplinary Knowledge:	=	Recall test
Investigating osmosis	-×	Review sheets
Sequencing methods, identifying variables,		
completing risk assessments		
Calculating magnification, SA:vol		Revision Card preparation
		Recall test
		Repetition of use of revision
		cards for review sheets and
		recall tests and for termly
		exams.
Half Term 2: Organisation		Skim and Scan of source
		information
Substantive Knowledge:		Decoding terms
Organ systems:		Etymology of key terms
Digestive enzymes		
Enzyme mechanism and activity		Fungi, protist, symptom,
Practical into enzyme activity		phagocyte, lymphocyte, body
The heart structure and function		defence, clinical trial, antibody,
The lungs structure and function		antigen
Composition of blood	•	
Lifestyle factors and their links to disease		
Coronary heart disease and its treatment		Recall questions to start every
Cancer and its risk factors		lesson
Plant systems:		Recall test
Leaf structure and function	=\$	Review sheet
Stomata structure and function		
Root structure and function		Revision Card preparation
Xylem structure and function		Recall test
Phloem structure and function		Repetition of use of revision
Transpiration stream		cards for review sheets and
Rates of transpiration and how they are		recall tests and for termly
impacted		exams.
Disciplinary Knowledge:		
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Analysis of data	
Importance of prevention and cure	
Developing scientific arguments	
Drug discovery and development – Plants and	
microorganisms, pharma industry synthesis,	
trials and testing. The importance of testing	
Analysis of graphical data – antibody levels	
Process of identifying plant disease	