

Year 13 Biology – Outline Programme of Study

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
Big ideas/ topics	Module 5 Communication, homeostasis and disease	Module 5 Communication, homeostasis and disease	Module 6 – Genetics, evolution and ecosystems	Module 6 – Genetics, evolution and ecosystems	Revision	
Key Knowledge	5.1.3 Neuronal communication The structure and function of the nervous system 5.1.4 Hormonal communication How blood sugar is regulated by the pancreas and insulin. How the adrenal gland functions.	5.1.5 Plant and animal responses Plants and plant hormones. The structure of the brain and how muscles contract. 5.2.1 Photosynthesis The biochemistry of photosynthesis 5.2.2 Respiration The biochemistry of aerobic and anaerobic respiration.	6.1.1 Cellular control How genes are regulated and controlled. 6.1.2 Patterns of inheritance The mechanisms of inheritance including monohybrid, dihybrid, codominance and multiple alleles.	 6.1.3 Manipulating genomes The principles of PCR, electrophoresis and DNA fingerprinting 6.2.1 Cloning and biotechnology Cloning plants and animals and the uses of microorganisms to produce food and drugs. 6.3.1 Ecosystems The interactions of organisms in a ecosystem 6.3.2 Populations and sustainability. How populations can interact and how humans interact with the natural world. 		

Further information and reading list

- OCR Biology A
- <u>Text books Text book 2</u>
- https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/biology-revision/a-level-ocr-a/
- <u>https://www.savemyexams.co.uk/a-level/biology/ocr/17/</u>

Ways to support and extend student learning in this subject

- Essential maths skills for Biology
- Oxford Revise
- Biological Science review accessed through the school library.
- Maths for Biology OCR resources
- Revision checklists
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