



Supporting your child through their Biology GCSE

revision tips

The Biology Exams



Papers	Topics	Length	%	Date
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cells and organisation Disease and bioenergetics 	1 hour 45	50 %	PM 14/05/2019
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biological responses Genetics and reproduction Ecology 	1 Hour 45	50 %	AM 07/06/2019

Key Dates for GCSE Biology

November	Start revising at home
	After school revision begins Tuesday 30 Oct
	PiXL exams – Tuesday 13 th November
January	Revising should be picking up
	16/17 January Y11 Progress Day. Mock results shared
March	Revision at home should be full steam now
	In class revision begins
April	Easter Holiday Revision Session
May	Exams start
August	GCSE Results



Exam Content



Paper One	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cell structure and transport Cell Division Organisation and the digestive system Organising animals and plants Communicable disease 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preventing and curing disease Non-communicable disease Photosynthesis Respiration
Paper Two	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Human Nervous system Hormonal co-ordination Homeostasis in action Variation and evolution 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Genetics and evolution Adaptations, interdependence & competition Organising an ecosystem Biodiversity and ecosystems

Supporting with Revision

Chemistry contains an awful lot of content, students cannot expect to do well in this subject without plenty of revision. Here are some ideas for how you could help your revision:

- Encourage your child to start revision early – this will also be beneficial for the mock exams
- Encourage your child to be organised and use a revision timetable and also space out the different topics they study.
- Encourage the use of **GCSE Pod**. Teachers often set assignments using this resource but pupils can access these small 3-5 minute videos and test their understanding with questions.
- All pupils can access the **Kerboodle** online resource. This includes the text book and lots of revision resources.
- If pupils check their **One Drive** and **Sharepoint** they'll find 20 questions that mark themselves, this allows pupils to check their knowledge.
- **BBC Bitesize** contains lots of revision that can be read and used by pupils
- Within science, we have lots of past paper questions and longer answer questions that can help pupils. These can be given out upon request.
- We can sell revision guides that can be used to supplement revision
- Ask your child if you can help them: chatting to them or using flashcards to quiz them etc.
- Ensure your child has breaks, eats well and gets a work/life balance

Revision Sessions

Revision sessions have begun Tuesday evenings after school but we are always available for any pupil that needs help!

Attendance is essential to doing well in GCSE science, those who attend do well, its simple!

Contacting the department

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