

The 4 Big Ideas Underpinning an Understanding of Biology							
Year	Structure is Linked to Function in Living Organisms	Natural Materials are Recycled	Organisms are interdependent	Genetics and Evolution are linked			
7	Cells and organisation	Nutrition and digestion	Ecosystems	Reproduction			
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8	Gas exchange systems	Photosynthesis	Ecosystems at JFCS	Genetics and evolution			
		Respiration					
	Skeleton and bone composition	Digestive enzymes		Cells			
9	Cells	_					
	Cell Transport	_					
	Digestive enzymes						
10	Non communicable Diseases	Photosynthesis	Ecology	Non communicable diseases			
	Communicable diseases	Trophic levels in an ecosystem*	Trophic levels in an ecosystem*				
	The Nervous System (Separate science)	Respiration (Separate science)					
11	Homeostasis and the Hormonal System	Respiration (Combined science)		Inheritance			
	The Nervous System (Combined science)			Variation and Evolution			

\* separate science topics only

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Term 1	<i>TOPIC/KNOWLEDGE</i> 1. Cells and organisation 2. Reproduction	<i>TOPIC/KNOWLEDGE</i> 1. Photosynthesis 2. Gas exchange systems	TOPIC/KNOWLEDGE 1. Cells	<ul> <li>TOPIC/KNOWLEDGE</li> <li>Biology <ol> <li>Communicable disease (combined and separate science)</li> <li>Non-communicable disease (combined and separate science )</li> <li>Photosynthesis (separate science)</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>TOPIC/KNOWLEDGE</li> <li>Biology</li> <li>1. Respiration (combined science only)</li> <li>2. Hormonal system (separate science)</li> <li>3. Inheritance (combined and separate science)</li> <li>4. Variation and evolution (combined science)</li> </ul>
Term 2	TOPIC/KNOWLEDGE -	<i>TOPIC/KNOWLEDGE</i> 1. Respiration 2. Genetics and Evolution	TOPIC/KNOWLEDGE 1. Cell Transport	<ul> <li>TOPIC/KNOWLEDGE</li> <li>1. Photosynthesis (combined science only)</li> <li>2. Ecology (Separate science only)</li> <li>3. Respiration (Separate science only)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>TOPIC/KNOWLEDGE <ol> <li>Homeostasis (combined only)</li> <li>Inheritance (combined only)</li> <li>Variation and evolution (Separate science)</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
Term 3	<i>TOPIC/KNOWLEDGE</i> 1. Nutrition and Digestion 2. Ecosystems	TOPIC/KNOWLEDGE 1. Ecology Project	<ul> <li>TOPIC/KNOWLEDGE</li> <li>1. Digestive enzymes</li> <li>2. Bone composition project</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>TOPIC/KNOWLEDGE <ol> <li>Trophic levels (Separate science)</li> <li>Homeostasis (Separate science)</li> <li>Nervous system (Separate science)</li> <li>Ecology (Combined science only)</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	TOPIC/KNOWLEDGE Paper 1 Biology Topics 1–4: Cell biology; Organisation; Infection and response; and Bioenergetics. Paper 2 Biology Topics 5–7: Homeostasis and response; Inheritance, variation and evolution; and Ecology.
Career Pathways					