# **NEWPORT GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL**

## **KS4** Curriculum Overview

#### **Curriculum Intent & Organisation**

The course is single science biology, higher tier. The students acquire all the skills required for A level biology should they chose to take it. Students are mixed ability, A few sentences required: Why was this course chosen? What are the intended outcomes? How is the teaching organised - mixed ability option group / setted students etc.

Examination Information	EBACC?	P8 Bucket
Compulsory subject examined end of Year 11 with	Yes / No	Maths/English/EBACC/Other
no controlled assessment		

## Impact of Prior Learning from KS3

KS3 learning using the scientific method to introduce content. There is a heavy emphasis on investigative skills and thinking in order to prepare the students for style of examination at the end of KS4.

#### **Equipment Required for this course**

- Standard classroom stationery
- Mathematical calculator

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Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
<ul> <li>Cell structure</li> <li>Animal organisation- digestion</li> </ul>	• Plant organisation	• Photosynthesis

Teachers: RN/SD/CT

Exam Board:

d: AQA

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
<ul> <li>Cell transport</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Bioenergetics</li> </ul>	Cell division
<ul> <li>Animal organisation - circulation</li> <li>Infection and response</li> </ul>	• Nervous system	• Homeostatsis

Curriculum Implementation – Areas of Focus Year 11			
Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term	
Reproduction	<ul> <li>Ecology</li> </ul>	• Exam	
Evolution			

### Impact / Outcomes

Learning will be assessed throughout the course by:

- Homework
- End of unit test
- Mock exam
- Exam questions in lessons

Homework	
Exam questions	
Research	
Work sheet	

## Ways to support learning

- BBC Bitesize
- Use of "maths and physics tutor" website which has all the past exam papers including the legacy papers.
- Students have the loan of a school text book from year 10.

AQA

- GCSE Science Live
- Lunch time drop in sessions

### Next Steps

The AQA A level biology course follows on from the AQA biology GCSE in terms of skill building therefore giving the students a solid basis to start KS5.

Sentence to show how course leads onto next key stage