

Year/Term	Unit	Intent
Curriculum purpose		 Ensure students have a secure understanding of the key concepts of Biology, Chemistry and Physics building on knowledge from KS3. Encourage students to carry out practical work safely with increasing independent skills. Enthuse students with a love of the Sciences by incorporating a holistic approach and relating concepts to actions and behaviours.
Autumn	CB5 – Health, disease and the development of medicines CB6 – Plant structures and their functions (start) CC8 - Acids CC9 - Calculations involving masses CP6 - Radioactivity CP7 – Energy – forces doing work	 Describe the difference between communicable and non-communicable diseases Explain how pathogens are spread and how this spread can be reduced or prevented Explain the role of the specific immune system of the human body Describe the use of hazard symbols on containers Describe a neutralisation reaction Calculate masses of reactants and products from balanced equations Describe and compare the three forms of nuclear radiation Develop knowledge of the history of radiation Describe uses and dangers of radioactivity
Spring	CB6 – Plant structures and their functions (continued) CB7 – Animal coordination, control and homeostasis (start) CC10 - Electrolytic processes CC11 - Obtaining and using metals (start) CP8 – Forces and their effects	 Explain how a plant is adapted for photosynthesis and gas exchange Explain the effect of limiting factors on the rate of photosynthesis Describe where hormones are produced and transported Describe electrolysis as a process in which electrical energy, from a direct current supply, decomposes electrolytes. Explain the reactivity series of metals and relate it to metal extraction Explain displacement reactions as redox reactions Describe, with examples, how objects can interact Use vector diagrams and free body force diagrams
Summer	CB7 – Animal coordination, control and homeostasis (continued) CB1-CB7 revision CC11 - Obtaining and using metals (continued) CC12 - Reversible reactions and equilibria CC1-CC12 revision CP9 – Electricity and circuits CP1-CP9 revision	 Evaluate hormonal and barrier methods of contraception Describe the stages of the menstrual cycle including the roles of the hormones involved Explain how the hormones control blood glucose concentration Explain the cause and control of type 1 and type 2 diabetes Evaluate the advantages of recycling metals Explain what is meant by dynamic equilibrium Draw and use electric circuit diagrams Use and understand the key terms associated with electricity Describe how energy is transferred in different domestic devices