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Autumn Term	Knowledge & Understanding			Literacy Skills Opportunities for	Employability Skills	Assessment Opportunities
	Composites	Components [includes understanding of KEY concepts & subject specific vocab]	Formal Retrieval [if any]	developing literacy skills	[if any]	Opportunities
HT1	B1 Key concepts in Biology	Testing foodsEnzymesTransporting substances	 KS3 review Animal/plant and specialised cells Food tests Microscopes 	Evaluation of Core practicals	Food industryMicrobiologist	
	B2 Cells and Control	 Cell division Cell growth Cell specialisation The Nervous system The Brain and eye 	Specialised cellsEyesOrgan systems	Presenting work on the Reflex Arc Extended writing – specialised cells, synapses, reflex arc,	NeuroscientistMedicineOptician	
HT2	B3 Genetics	 Meiosis DNA Structure Protein synthesis Genetic variants and phenotypes Mendel Alleles Inheritance Multiple and missing alleles Gene Mutation Variation 	Y9 Review DNA Structure and Variation	Role of Meiosis in reproduction.	 DNA analysis Geneticists Medical scientists 	Assessment point 1 Key Biological Concepts, Cells and control

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Spring Term	Knowledge & Understanding			Literacy Skills Opportunities for	Employability Skills	Assessment Opportunities
	Composites	Components [includes understanding of KEY concepts & subject specific vocab]	Formal Retrieval [if any]	developing literacy skills	[if any]	Оррогиниез
НТЗ	B4 Natural Selection and Genetic modification	 Mendel Alleles Inheritance Multiple and missing alleles Gene Mutation Variation Evidence of Evolution Darwin's theory Development of Darwin's theory Classification Selective Breeding Tissue culture Genetic Engineering GM and agriculture Fertilisers and biological control 	 Y9 Review Evolution Selective Breeding Genetic Engineering 	Evaluating processes	 Decision making skills Zoologist Evolutionary Biologist 	Assessment Point 2 Class Teacher Assessment on last and current topic

HT4	B4 Natural Selection and Genetic modification	 Evidence of Evolution Darwin's theory Development of Darwin's theory 	 Y9 Review Evolution Selective Breeding Genetic Engineering 	Evaluating processes	 Decision making skills Zoologist Evolutionary Biologist 	
	B5 Health, disease and the development of medicines	 Health and disease Non-communicable diseases Cardiovascular disease Pathogens 				

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НТ5	B5 Health, disease and the development of medicines EXAM PREPARATION PAPER 1	 Spreading pathogens Virus life cycles Plant defences Plant diseases Physical and chemical barriers The immune system Antibiotics Monoclonal antibodies 	Drugs and disease	Extended writing: Explaining how immunisation offers protection	Immunologist World Health Organisation Scientific advisor	Assessment point 3 Mock Examination Biology Paper 1
НТ6	B6 Plant structures and their functions	 Photosynthesis Factors that affect Photosynthesis Core Practical – Light Intensity and Photosynthesis Transpiration & Translocation. 	 KS3 Plant growth and Reproduction Photosynthesis review Trends in data 	 Evaluation – how to improve results / modify investigations – apply knowledge of CP to elodea practical. Explain how mineral ions are transported in plants. Explain how 	EcologistBotanist	

	sucrose is transported to storage organs.	
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