Home-School Learning Collaboration – Science



Topics in this cycle: Inheritance, Evolution and Drugs	Taught: Summer 1	Year Group: 9
Key knowledge/concepts to be learnt ('Tell me about')		Websites/blogs/YouTube links and further reading to deepen and consolidate learning
 Where is our DNA stored? "Describe the structure and function of DNA. Use diagrams to show the relationship between DNA, chromosomes and genes. Suggest benefits from scientists knowing all the genes in the human genome. How are gametes made? Demonstrate an understanding of the differences between mitosis and meiosis. Understand that meiosis is exclusive to gamete production and subsequently sexual reproduction. Demonstrate an understanding of the role of dominant and recessive alleles in determining specific characteristics. 		DNA DNA - An Introduction (GCSE Biology) - Study Mind Gametes Where does our genome come from? - Genomics Education Programme (hee.nhs.uk) Mutation DNA and Reproduction – GCSE Biology (Combined Science) Edexcel Revision – Study Rocket
 What causes a mutation? Mutations are not always negative. Genetic manipulation is a highly specific technique. Its applications have major benefits. What is a drug? Describe what a drug is, whilst identifying some common examples Identify the risks involved in excessive alcohol consumption. Link the chemicals in smoke to health damage. Link the effects of marijuana to evidence, to form an opinion on legalisation. Evaluate how drugs shape the modern world and their place in society. 		Drug <u>Alcohol and Smoking - The Dangers of Alcohol and Smoking - 9-1 GCSE</u> <u>Biology - YouTube</u>

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Key Vocabulary and Definitions To Be Learnt		What Will The Assessment Look Like?	
Cell	A cell is the basic unit of life that is responsible for the living and functioning of organisms.	Extended writing – Explain why you share some characteristics with your mother and some with your father.	
Chromosome	The DNA is contained in structures called chromosomes.	End of Unit test: 25 marks	
DNA	DNA, or deoxyribonucleic acid, DNA is a polymer made from two strands which twist around each other making a spiral ladder.	Short answer questions	
Gene	A gene is a small section of DNA on a chromosome	Multiple choiceExtended writing	
Gamete	Gametes are sex cells, that is egg and sperm in humans.		
Nucleus	The nucleus controls and regulates the activities of the cell (e.g., growth and metabolism) and carries the genes, structures that contain the hereditary information.	Family Learning Opportunities	
Allele	Allele are different forms of a gene.	Create a funny genetic cartoon	
Mutation	Any change in the DNA sequence of a cell	Create a drugs and alcohol throw and know	
Recessive Allele	Only shows if the individual has two copies of the recessive allele.	ball <u>Drugs and Alcohol Throw & Know™ Activity Ball Health</u> <u>Edco</u>	
Dominant Allele	Dominant allele always shows, even if the individual only has one copy of the allele.		
Depressant	Drugs that decrease alertness by slowing down the activity of the central nervous system	Create a drugs and alcohol poster for your friends.	
Stimulant	Stimulants speed up the activity of the nervous system	Drug and Alcohol Prevention Posters (k12posters.com)	
Passive Smoking	Breathing in other people's smoke is known as exposure to second-hand smoke or passive smoking.	Devise a quiz on DNA and test your family	
Medicinal Drug	A substance or combination of substances that is intended to treat, prevent or diagnose a disease, or to restore, correct or modify physiological functions by exerting a pharmacological, immunological or metabolic action.		
Recreational Drug	"Recreational drugs" is a loose term that refers to legal and illegal drugs that are used without medical supervision.		