



Biology KS5 (A - Level)

Name of Exam Board	OCR A (H420)
Link to specification	http://www.ocr.org.uk/Images/171736-specification-accredited-a-level-gce-biology-a-h420.pdf
Breakdown of Modules covered:	
1. Practical skills	2. Foundation in Biology
3. Exchange and transport	4. Biodiversity
5. Communication	6. Genetics
How is the course assessed? %Coursework / Examination	100% Exam at end of Year 2; Practical endorsement. There is no coursework contribution to the final grade but the practical endorsement must be passed to be awarded the qualification
Suggested reading or revision guides for A-level	Biological Sciences Review (Hodder Education) (a subscription to this can be obtained from the department) New Scientist CGP revision guides (these can be bought at a discounted rate from the Department)

Ways in which Parents can Support their Children

- Ask what they have been learning during their lessons and get them to explain their work;
- Check they have completed their homework using the Showmyhomework app;
- It is critical that regular deep marked HW that will have Dedicated Improvement and Reflection Time in the next lesson is submitted to deadline.
- Support them with revision by helping them to try active techniques such as revision cards, mind maps or question and answer cards;
- Provide a quiet and productive place for them to revise in;
- Encourage them to switch off electronic devices 30 minutes before sleeping
- Make sure they have the appropriate revision guides at KS4 and KS5
- Make sure they have the required stationery resources
- Discuss Science issues in the news

