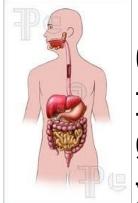
# AS/A-level BIOLOGY AT NORLINGTON 6<sup>th</sup> FORM



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Analytical and problem solving skills.

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# AS/A-level BIOLOGY



# Is BIOLOGY at Norlington right for you?

#### If you have:

- An interest in the how your body works, the causes of disease and the interactions between species on Earth
- Grade 6+ in GCSE Biology
- Grade (6-6)+ in Combined Sciences
- Grade 6+ in maths GCSE
- Grade 5+ in English and English literature.

# If you are looking to get into:

- Veterinary science
- Medicine, dentistry, nursing and other medical

#### professions

- Financial sector
- Law
- Biomedical science
- Environmental science,
   microbiology or Zoology

#### **AQA BIOLOGY**

**AS Level** — Consists of 4 units. These are:

# Unit 1: Biological molecules

Biological molecules, enzymes, DNA and its replication.

#### Unit 2: Cells

Studying cells structure, transport across membranes and immunity.

#### **Unit 3: Exchanging substances**

The digestive system, lungs and heart structure and transport in plants

#### **Unit 4: Genetics and variation**

Inheritance, protein synthesis, diversity and classification

<u>A-Level</u> — Consists of 4 further units. These are:

# Unit 5: Energy transfers between organisms

Photosynthesis, respiration, energy transfers and ecosystems.

Unit 6: Organisms responding to the environment

# How is AS/A2 assessed?

# **AS Biology**

In AS Biology the assessment consists of two written exam papers at the end of year 12. Both papers are worth 50% of the AS qualification and cover the contents of Units 1-4 and relevant practical skills.

# **A-level Biology**

In A-level Biology the assessment consists of three written exams at the end of Y13.

- 1. Paper 1 assess content of units 1-4
- 2. Paper 2 assess content of units 5-8
- 3. Paper 3 assess content of units 1-8 and includes a synoptic essay.

All three paper also assess relevant practical skills.

AS and A-level biology courses will be taught in tandem in Year 12.

Practical skills based on practicals taught throughout the A2 course

Visit the following website for more information

http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/ science/as-and-a-level/biology-7401 -7402