



Animal care Curriculum Overview 2019-2020

YEAR 10

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term	Rationale
Composites	Animal health, Disease, Parasites	Animal welfare and Legislation Revision	Animal Handling	<p>At the start of the course each pupil is sent on a 'Shadow a zoo keeper' experience day. This inspires pupils into finding out more about the field and the sort of careers it could entail.</p> <p>Being a new subject taught at Key stage 4, pupils have limited pre-existing knowledge. Due to this the externally assessed content is taught at the very beginning of the year to allow sufficient time to ensure all content is taught effectively and understood by the pupils. The external exam is to be sat in the summer term. For this reason, the second part of the spring term will be focussing on revision of this content. Walking talking mocks will take place in the spring term in order to support students with their exam technique.</p> <p>The rest of the teaching time is spent covering the internal assessment content and allowing pupils sufficient time to complete their independent work to a high standard. With each assignment pupils are given feedback and allowed 15 days to resubmit their work, challenging them to achieve a higher standard.</p>
Key Components	Normal behaviour, detecting signs of stress and ill health, basic health checks, transmission of disease, prevention of disease, parasites	Animal welfare charities, animal organisations, animal use in society, Laws and legislation, 5 animal needs, company policies	Personal protection equipment, reasons for restraint, specialist equipment, use of equipment, specialised handling techniques	
Tier 3 language	Caecotroph, diastema, urates, palpable, endotherm, ectotherm, vertical transmission, personal protection equipment, sanitation	Symbolic, field sport, companion, legislation, welfare, venomous, poisonous	Claw, scruff. Cross-contamination, personal protective equipment, juvenile, distress, body hug, avian, companion	
Assessment	Mock external assessment Low stakes testing	Mock external assessment Low stakes testing, Internal assessment	External assessment Low stakes testing, Internal assessment	
The best that has been thought and said	Paradise wildlife park	Guide dog association, RSCPA	Pet corner	

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	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term	Rationale
Composites	Animal Handling Revision	Animal behaviour	Accommodation and Husbandry	<p>With this qualification there is an opportunity to allow pupils to resit the external exam should they have failed the exam in the summer term. Therefore some time has been allocated for revision in order to support the pupils who may need to resit the exam.</p> <p>At various point throughout the year students are given the opportunity to handle various animals and visit various organisations in an effort inspire them into pursuing a career or further education in this field.</p> <p>The remainder of the time will be used to continue to work on the rest of the internally assessed assignments including allowing sufficient time for feedback and resubmission. Students are challenged to meet the highest criteria possible.</p> <p>In the final term pupils are given the opportunity to complete internal assessments in an additional unit, so that they can select the assignments that will contribute to their final grade</p>
Key Components	Personal protection equipment, reasons for restraint, specialist equipment, use of equipment, specialised handling techniques	Individual and group behaviour, typical and abnormal behaviour, environmental factors	Selecting appropriate animal accommodation, maintaining high standards of animal accommodation, cleaning animal accommodation	
Tier 3 language	Claw, scruff. Cross-contamination, personal protective equipment, juvenile, distress, body hug, avian, companion	Solitary, herd, typical, atypical, aggressive, passive	Vivarium. Terrarium, aviary, absorbency, proximity, Enrichment	
Assessment	External assessment resit Low stakes testing, Internal assessment	Low stakes testing Internal assessment	Low stakes testing Internal assessment	
The best that has been thought and said	Pet corner	David Attenborough	Cedars Park	