

Big Question: Can We Improve the Fitness of Saltney Town FC?

AoLE: Science & Technology	Subject: Science - Biology	Year: 8
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Big Question / Aim / Objective / Concept	Vision (Proposed outcome) / Purpose of curriculum	Prior knowledge / Learners previous knowledge
Can we improve the fitness of Saltney Town FC? Students study the concepts of digestion, respiration and the cardiovascular system.	This Big question covers: -Diet, digestion, transport and use of the nutrients in digested food. -The chemical reaction of respiration in living organisms and the structure and function of the human respiratory and circulatory systems.	-understand that foods contain a variety of substances needed by the body and recognise the idea of nutrition as a life process. -appreciate that a wide variety of foods needs to be eaten to have a balanced diet. -know that food contains stored energy. -be familiar with the names and positions of some of the organs in the digestive system. -know that substances are carried around the body by the blood. -the idea and process of absorption will be unfamiliar to most. -be familiar with respiration as one of the life processes. -know the gases in air. -know what digestion does. -be able to describe the function of the heart. -know that organs are made of tissues and tissues are made of cells. -know that the breathing rate varies.

What does progression look like in this Big Question?

Progression Indicator	Description of learning (What matters statements)	Student evidence of progression (Blooms) / Knowledge
Excelling	I can explain how biological processes and control mechanisms enable organisms to function, develop, reproduce and survive. I can evaluate the factors which affect the development and health of organisms.	Describe, explain and draw conclusions for the qualitative protein, glucose, starch and lipids tests. Explain what food allergies and intolerances are. Describe how nutrients are supplied to cells via the blood and tissue fluid. Explain why some food cannot be digested by humans. Recall some of the evidence that has led to current ideas about blood circulation. Identify anomalous results and evaluate evidence. Draw conclusions from data given in secondary sources and state whether this agrees with the conclusions drawn in the source material. Explain how respiration is similar and different to burning fuels. Describe and explain aerobic and anaerobic respiration. Recall the word equations for respiration. Describe how gas exchange is affected by damage to alveoli.
Advancing	I can describe the levels of cellular organisation and how cells perform biological processes that ensure the development and survival of organisms.	Use models to represent the digestion of large insoluble food molecules. Display data in a variety of different forms.

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		Describe how nutrients are digested and absorbed. Describe an old model of circulation and explain how it does not match current evidence. Identify possible reasons why correct theories may not be accepted. Use word equations for chemical reactions. Explain why tissues need a good blood supply. Describe some effects of poor oxygen supply. Explain the differences between inhaled and exhaled air. Explain the role of alveoli in gas exchange. Explain how the lungs are kept clean. Describe how glucose, oxygen and carbon dioxide are transported around the body by the circulatory system.
Securing	I can describe the features of organisms and recognise how they allow them to live, grow and reproduce for survival in their environment. I can explain the role of different organs and systems that enable plants and animals to live and grow.	Use a model to describe the action of enzymes. Without help, point out that variables need to be kept the same in investigations and stop these variables changing. Carry out and interpret results from tests for starch and fat. Describe what a balanced diet is. Describe how digested food is transported around the body. Recall that nutrients, fibre and water are all vital components of a balanced diet and good sources of these substances. Recall the roles of nutrients, fibre and water in the body. Recall that some athletes choose to abuse medical drugs that have been developed for other purposes. Recognise a range of jobs that are involved in the training of athletes. Record observations accurately and identify patterns in data using charts. Explain the importance of control experiments and sample size when carrying out an investigation. Make careful observations using a range of equipment and ICT. Recall that oxygen is needed for aerobic respiration. Recall the positions and functions of the organs in the respiratory/breathing and circulatory systems.
Beginning	I can recognise patterns from my observations and investigations and can communicate my findings. I can use my knowledge and understanding to predict effects as part of my scientific exploration. I can explore relationships between living things, their habitats and their life cycles.	Use data from secondary sources of information to construct bar charts. Display data in tables. Identify and control variables appropriately without help. Recall the names of the major nutrients in food and good sources of these substances. Recall that theories about circulation have changed. Make observations and identify patterns in data. Recognise that exhaled and inhaled air are different. Recall that digested food is needed for energy.

Authentic learning experiences (Local / National / International)	Skills (Literacy / Numeracy / DCF) / Cross Curricular links
Saltney Town FC.	Literacy: WF – Word familiarisation EC – Extended reading/ comprehension RR – Research and

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Impact of diet, respiration and cardiovascular system on a local sports team.	report EW – Extended writing, DS – Debates and speaking
	Numeracy: Analysis of data, application of formulae, constructing line graphs (SALUTE) M – Measuring C – Calculations T – Tables L – Line graphs B – Bar charts SS28, N - Numbers
	DCF: IR – Internet research DL - Datalogging WP – Word processing SS – Spreadsheets PS – Presentation software MS – Media software

Assessment (How will we know that students have learnt what we taught them?)		
Formative assessment: Quick quiz questions Word sheets Quick checks Summary sheets I can progression ladders	Summative assessment: End of 'Biq Question' test x2 (mid topic and end of topic) Energy Content of food practical assessment	

Evaluation (to be completed 2024)		
Strengths	Areas for Development	Pupil Voice