A LEVEL BIOLOGY

Summer Work

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This document outlines the 'Summer Work' for A level Biology course starting in September 2020

Induction exam

On your first lesson you will sit an induction exam which you must pass in order to continue with A level Biology here at Samuel Whitbread Academy. The pass mark for this exam is 60% and the content examined will be the GCSE biology content at the higher tier level. Should you not reach the pass mark in the first attempt, you will get one more opportunity with a different paper. You can find the specification for this course here: https://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/biology/specifications/AQA-8461-SP-2016.PDF

Revision cards, BBC bitesize and past papers are all good ways to engage with revision.

Past papers and their mark schemes can be found here:

https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/science/gcse/biology-8461/assessment-resources?f.Sub-category%7CF=Sample+papers+and+mark+schemes

And here is the link to BBC bitesize:
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z9ddmp3

Wider Enrichment

For wider biology understanding there are many podcasts, books and programs that will enrich your understanding, a few suggestions are:

Read: Bill Brysons 'The Body', Yuval Noah Harari's 'Sapiens', Nessa Carey's 'The Epigenetics Revolution', Ed Yong's 'I contain Multitudes'

Watch: *Netflix*: Unnatural Selection, Blue Planet, Planet Earth, Explained *BBC*: Seven Worlds, One Planet, Spy in the Wild, Horizon. *Channel 4*: Extinct, Wild Amazon, Epidemic: When Britain Fought Aids, Saving Planet Earth, fixing a hole

Listen: The Infinite Monkey Cage (BBCR4), The Science Hour (BBCR4). The Naked Scientists