

## ST MARY'S COLLEGE



### INTRODUCTION

This course is designed to develop a positive attitude to health and emphasises the personal, social, environmental, economic and technological aspects of Human Biology.

#### ***Content***

The subject content covers the following topics:

- Relations between man, other organisms and the environment – healthy living and man's influence on the environment.
- Organisation and maintenance of the individual – cells and life processes.
- Reproduction, growth and development – sexual reproduction genetics and variation.

#### ***How is the course delivered?***

The course is taught over one year in four 70 minute sessions per week.

#### ***Entry requirements***

No prior learning is necessary.

#### ***What skills and interests do I need?***

Students will carry out practical investigations where they will acquire skills in:

- planning experiments
- carrying out experiments safely and recording data
- analysing findings
- evaluating data.

#### ***How is the course assessed?***

Students' will complete a written 2 hour examination at the end of the course which counts for 80% of the total marks. They will be entered at either the foundation or higher level. The rest of the marks (20%) are for coursework which will assess practical skills and the ability to write an essay.

## ***Progression routes***

Students who are successful can progress on to the AS level Biology or use the course on its own as a supplement to Health and Social Care courses.

## ***Further Information***

***For further information please contact Marjory Price.***

***Full specifications can be found at [www.aqa.org.uk](http://www.aqa.org.uk)***



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