

Medium Term Plan

Year 6- Animals including humans

- Identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood.
- Recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function.
- Describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans.

Prior learning

- Describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene. (Y2 - Animals, including humans)
- Identify that animals, including humans, need the right types and amount of nutrition, and that they cannot make their own food; they get nutrition from what they eat. (Y3 - Animals, including humans)
- Describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans. (Y4 - Animals, including humans)
- Identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions. (Y4 - Animals, including humans)

Future learning

The consequences of imbalances in the diet, including obesity, starvation and deficiency diseases. (KS3)

The effects of recreational drugs (including substance misuse) on behaviour, health and life processes. (KS3)

The structure and functions of the gas exchange system in humans, including adaptations to function. (KS3)

The mechanism of breathing to move air in and out of the lungs. (KS3)

The impact of exercise, asthma and smoking on the human gas exchange system. (KS3)

What pupils need to know or do to be secure

Key learning

The heart pumps blood in the blood vessels around to the lungs. Oxygen goes into the blood and carbon dioxide is removed. The blood goes back to the heart and is then pumped around the body. Nutrients, water and oxygen are transported in the blood to the muscles and other parts of the body where they are needed. As they are used, they produce carbon dioxide and other waste products. Carbon dioxide is carried by the blood back to the heart and then the cycle starts again as it is transported back to the lungs to be removed from the body. This is the human circulatory system.

Diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle have an impact on the way our bodies function. They can affect how well our heart and lungs work, how likely we are to suffer from conditions such as diabetes, how clearly we think, and generally how fit and well we feel. Some conditions are caused by deficiencies in our diet e.g. lack of vitamins. This content is also included in PSHE. The new statutory requirements for relationships and health education can be found below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/relationships-education-relationships-and-sex-education-rse-and-health-education/physical-health-and-mental-wellbeing-primary-and-secondary>

Key vocabulary

Heart, pulse, rate, pumps, blood, blood vessels, transported, lungs, oxygen, carbon dioxide, nutrients, water, muscles, cycle, circulatory system, diet, exercise, drugs, lifestyle

Possible evidence

- Can draw a diagram of the circulatory system and label the parts and annotate it to show what the parts do
- Produces a piece of writing that demonstrates the key knowledge e.g. explanation text, job description of the heart

Common misconceptions

Some children may think:

- your heart is on the left side of your chest
- the heart makes blood
- the blood travels in one loop from the heart to the lungs and around the body
- when we exercise, our heart beats faster to work the muscles more
- some blood in our bodies is blue and some blood is red
- we just eat food for energy
- all fat is bad for you
- all dairy is good for you
- protein is good for you, so you can eat as much as you want
- foods only contain fat if you can see it
- all drugs are bad for you.

Apply knowledge

Activities	Possible evidence
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a role play model for the circulatory system. • Carry out a range of pulse rate investigations: • fair test – effect of different activities on my pulse rate • pattern seeking – exploring which groups of people may have higher or lower resting pulse rates • observation over time - how long does it take my pulse rate to return to my resting pulse rate (recovery rate) • pattern seeking – exploring recovery rate for different groups of people. • Research the negative effects of drugs (e.g. tobacco) and the benefits of a healthy diet and regular exercise by asking an expert or using carefully selected secondary sources. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the role play model to explain the main parts of the circulatory system and their role • Can use subject knowledge about the heart whilst writing conclusions for investigations • Can explain both the positive and negative effects of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the body • Present information e.g. in a health leaflet describing impact of drugs and lifestyle on the body