

Knowledge Organiser – Science Year 6- The Human Body

Key Vocabulary	Definition
circulatory system	bodily system made up of the heart, blood vessels and blood that delivers essential materials to cells whilst removing waste products
atria	plural of 'atrium.' The upper chambers of the heart
ventricles	the lower chambers of the heart
valves	found between the upper and lower chambers of the heart. They open and close to allow blood to flow through the heart
aorta	the largest artery supplying oxygenated blood to the rest of the body
arteries	vessels which carry oxygenated blood away from the heart
veins	vessels which carry deoxygenated blood back to the heart
capillaries	vessels which allow oxygen to be transferred to cells
oxygenated blood	blood that is rich in oxygen
deoxygenated blood	blood that is low in oxygen
pulse rate	the number of heart beats per minute
blood pressure	the force with which our blood is pushed around our bodies

