# Year 3 Science Knowledge Organiser

### **Autumn Term 2**

## BIOLOGY - 'Why do we need bones?'









# What do animals and humans eat?

Animals are adapted to what they eat.

**Carnivores** eat other animals.

**Herbivores** eat plants and fruit only.

**Omnivores** eat meat and plants.

## Why are my teeth different?

incisor Cut our food

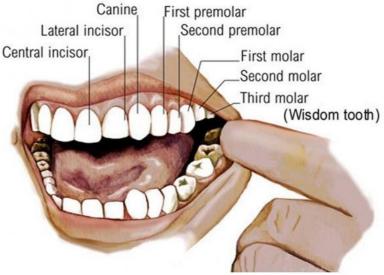
canine Tear our food

Molar

and Chew our food

Premolar

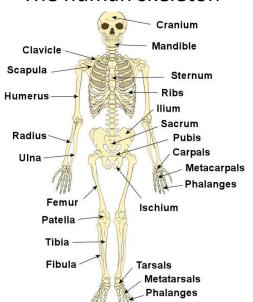




Different teeth do different jobs.

**Incisors** (say in-si-zors) are for cutting. **Canines** (say cay-nines) are for tearing. **Molars** and **pre-molars** (say mow-lers) grind up food until it is small enough to swallow.

## The human skeleton



Why do I need a skeleton?	
movement	Joints like elbows, knees and hips
protection	Soft organs like the brain and heart
support	Stand up, run, and jump
Humans can move hecause their hody is supported	

Humans can move because their body is supported by an internal skeleton - that's right, you are just a bag of bones!

#### Do all animals have skeletons?

Animal skeletons have adapted to different forms of movement. Fish swim with a long flexible backs and strong fins while frogs hop using their strong back legs. Birds are light because their bones are hollow so they fly with wings. They are **vertebrates** because they have a backbone.

Some animals, like insects and crabs, have an external (outside of their bodies) skeleton. They are called **invertebrates** because they do not have a backbone.

Some other **invertebrates**, like jellyfish and worms, have no skeleton at all.



Key vocabulary		
Spelling	Definition	
nutrition	food needed for health and growth	
carnivore	an animal that feeds on other animals	
herbivore	an animal that feeds on plants	
omnivore	an animal that feeds on plants and animals	
teeth	hard, bony structures in the jaws of most vertebrates, used for eating	
skeleton	an framework of bone the body of an animal or plant	
vertebrate	an animal with a backbone	
invertebrate	an animal without a backbone	
cranium	the skull, especially the part enclosing the brain	
ribs	curved bones articulated protecting the internal organs	
spine	vertebrae extending from the skull and down the back	