

Science Long Term Planning 2024 – 2025

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 1	 Seasonal changes observe changes across the four seasons. observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies. 	 Animals inc humans (naming animals and body parts) identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees. 	 material from wh identify and nam materials, includ metal, water, and describe the simple of a variety of ev compare and groups 	e a variety of everyday ing wood, plastic, glass, d rock ple physical properties eryday materials. pup together a variety of als on the basis of their	 Plants identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees. identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees. 	
Year 2	 variety of everyda metal, plastic, glas cardboard for part find out how the s from some materi 	are the suitability of a y materials, including wood, s, brick, rock, paper, and	Living things and their habitats (suitable habitats and simple food chains) • explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead, and things that	 Animals inc humans (health and growth) notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults. find out about and describe the basic 	 Plants (conditions for growing) observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grinto mature plants. find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy. 	

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been alive.	animals,	
 identify that 	including	
most living	humans, for	
things live in	survival	
habitats to	(water, food	
which they are	and air)	
suited and	describe the	
describe how	importance	
different	for humans of	
habitats	exercise,	
provide for the	eating the	
basic needs of	right amounts	
different kinds	of different	
of animals and	types of food,	
plants, and	and hygiene.	
how they		
depend on		
each other.		
 identify and 		
name a variety		
of plants and		
animals in their		
habitats,		
including		
microhabitats.		
describe how		
animals obtain		
their food from		
plants and		
other animals,		
using the idea		
of a simple		
food chain, and		
identify and		
name different		
sources of		
food.		

Year 3	 Rocks and Soils (including fossil formation) compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties. describe in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock. recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter. 	 Forces and Magnets (friction and magnets) compare how things move on different surfaces. notice that some forces need contact between 2 objects, but magnetic forces can act at a distance. observe how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others. compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of whether they are attracted to a magnet, and identify some magnetic materials. 	Animals inc humans (skeletons and muscles) • 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 • identify that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement.	Light recognise that they need light in order to see things and that dark is the absence of light. notice that light is reflected from surfaces. recognise that light from the sun can be dangerous and that there are ways to protect their eyes recognise that shadows are formed when the light from a light source is blocked by an opaque object. find patterns in the way that the size of shadows change. 	 Plants (function of plants and life cycle) identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves, and flowers. explore the requirements of plants for life and growth (air, light, water, nutrients from soil, and room to grow) and how they vary from plant to plant. investigate the way in which water is transported within plants. explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal.

		 describe magnets as having 2 poles. predict whether 2 magnets will attract or repel each other, depending on which poles are facing. 			
Year 4	 Electricity identify common appliances that run on electricity. construct a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts, including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers. identify whether or not a lamp will light in a simple series circuit, based on whether or not the lamp is part of a complete loop with a battery. 	 Animals inc humans (teeth and digestion) recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways. explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment. recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things. 	 States of Matter compare and group materials together, according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases. observe that some materials change state when they are heated or cooled, and measure or research the temperature at which this happens in degrees Celsius (°C) identify the part played by 	 Sound identify how sounds are made, associating some of them with something vibrating. recognise that vibrations from sounds travel through a medium to the ear. find patterns between the pitch of a sound and features of the object that produced it. 	 Living things and their habitats (grouping and simple classifying/changes to habitats can pose danger) recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways. explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment. recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.

	 recognise that a switch opens and closes a circuit and associate this with whether or not a lamp lights in a simple series circuit. recognise some common conductors and insulators, and associate metals with being good conductors. 	evaporation and condensation in the water cycle and associate the rate of evaporation with temperature.	 find patterns between the volume of a sound and the strength of the vibrations that produced it. recognise that sounds get fainter as the distance from the sound source increases. 		
Year 5	 Properties and change of materials compare and group together everyday materials on the basis of their properties, including their hardness, solubility, transparency, conductivity (electrical and thermal), and response to magnets. know that some materials will dissolve in liquid to form a solution and describe how to recover a substance from a solution. Use knowledge of solids, liquids and gases to decide how mixtures might be separated, including through filtering, sieving and evaporating. Give reasons, based on evidence from comparative and fair tests, for the particular uses of everyday materials, including metals, wood and plastic. Demonstrate that dissolving, mixing and changes of state are reversible changes. Explain that some changes result in the formation of new materials, and that this kind 	Forces (gravity, friction, air resistance, water resistance, levers, pulleys and gears) explain that unsupported objects fall towards the Earth because of the force of gravity acting between the Earth and the falling object. identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction, that act between	 Earth and Space describe the movement of the Earth and other planets relative to the sun in the solar system. describe the movement of the moon relative to the Earth. describe the sun, Earth and moon as approximately spherical bodies. 	Living things and their habitats (life cycles) describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro- organisms, plants and animals. give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics	 Animals including humans (changes in humans as we grow) describe the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird. describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals.

	of change is not usually reversible, including changes associated with burning and the action of acid on bicarbonate of soda	 moving surfaces recognise that some mechanisms including levers, pulleys and gears allow a smaller force to have a greater effect. use the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night and the apparent movement of the sun across the sky. 		
Year 6	LightElectricity• recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines• associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit.• use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye• compare and give reasons for variations in how components function, including the brightness of bulbs, the loudness of buzzers and the on/off position of switches.• use the idea that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye• compare and give reasons for variations in how components function, including the brightness of bulbs, the loudness of buzzers and the on/off position of switches.• use recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram.	 Evolution and Inheritance recognise that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago. recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind, but normally offspring vary and are not identical to their parents. identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and that adaptation may lead to evolution. 	 Animals inc humans (health and circulation) describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro- organisms, plants and animals. give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics 	Living things and their habitats (classifying including micro-organisms) describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro- organisms, plants and animals. give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristic.

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