

Science Objectives by Year Group

Topic	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Biology: Plants	<p>Know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things.</p> <p>Make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and talk about changes.</p>	<p>Identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees.</p> <p>Identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees.</p>	<p>Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy</p> <p>Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants.</p>	<p>Identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers. Investigate the way in which water is transported within plants.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal</p>		<p>Describe the life processes of reproduction in some plants (see Living things and their habitats)</p>	

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Biology: Animals, including humans	Make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and talk about changes.	<p>Identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals.</p> <p>Identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.</p> <p>Describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals, including pets).</p> <p>Identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense.</p>	<p>Find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air).</p> <p>Notice that animals including humans, have offspring which grow into adults.</p> <p>Describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene.</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>Identify that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement.</p>	<p>Construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey.</p> <p>Describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans.</p> <p>Identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions.</p>	Describe the changes as humans develop to old age	<p>Identify the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood</p> <p>Describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans.</p> <p>Recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind, but offspring vary and are not identical</p>

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Biology: Living things and their habitats			<p>Explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead, and things that have never been alive.</p> <p>Identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants, and how they depend on each other.</p> <p>Identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including micro-habitats.</p> <p>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.</p>		<p>Recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways.</p> <p>Explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment.</p> <p>Recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.</p> <p>Construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey. (Animals, including humans)</p>		<p>Describe the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird</p>

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Biology: Evolution and Inheritance							<p>Recognise that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago.</p> <p>Recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind, but offspring vary and are not identical to their parents</p> <p>Identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and that adaptation may lead to evolution.</p>

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Chemistry: Materials and States of Matter	<p>Know the properties of some materials and can suggest some of the purposes they are used for.</p> <p>Know that the environment and living things are influenced by human activity e.g. impact of waste.</p>	<p>Everyday Materials Distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made.</p> <p>Identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, and rock.</p> <p>Describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials.</p> <p>Compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties.</p>	<p>Uses of Everyday Materials Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, and rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses.</p> <p>Find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching</p>	<p>Rocks Recognise that soils are made from rock and organic matter.</p> <p>Describe in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock.</p> <p>Compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties.</p>	<p>States of Matter 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.</p> <p>Identify the part played by evaporation and condensation in the water cycle and associate the rate of evaporation with temperature.</p> <p>Compare and group materials together, according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases.</p>	<p>Properties and changes of materials Give reasons, based on evidence from comparative and fair tests, for the particular uses of everyday materials, including metals, woods and plastic.</p> <p>Know that some materials will dissolve in liquid to form a solution, and describe how to recover a substance from a solution.</p> <p>Use knowledge of solids, liquids and gases to decide how mixtures might be separated, including through filtering, sieving and evaporating.</p> <p>Demonstrate that dissolving, mixing and changes of state are reversible changes.</p> <p>Explain that some changes result in the formation of new material, and that this</p>	

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<p>Cont'd Chemistry: Materials and States of Matter</p>						<p>kind of change is not usually reversible, including changes associated with burning and Year 5</p> <p>the action of acid on bicarbonate of soda.</p> <p>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.</p>	
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Physics: Earth and Space	<p>Talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another.</p> <p>Begin to understand significance and difference between seasons and months.</p>	<p>Seasonal Changes Observe changes across the four seasons.</p> <p>Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies.</p>			<p>Earth and Space Describe the movement of the Earth and other planets, relative to the Sun in the solar system.</p> <p>Use the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night and the apparent movement of the Sun across the sky.</p> <p>Describe the movement of the Moon relative to the Earth.</p> <p>Describe the Sun, Earth and Moon as approximately spherical bodies.</p>	

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Physics: Motion and Forces			<p>Uses of Everyday Materials Find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching (see Uses of Everyday Materials)</p>	<p>Forces (and Magnets) Compare how different things move on different surfaces.</p> <p>Notice that some forces need contact between two objects, but magnetic forces can act at a distance. (see Magnetism)</p>		<p>Forces Explain that unsupported objects fall towards the Earth because of the force of gravity acting between the Earth and the falling object.</p> <p>Identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction that act between moving surfaces.</p> <p>Recognise that some mechanisms, including gears, pulleys, levers and springs, allow a smaller force to have a greater effect.</p>	

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Physics: Magnetism				<p>Notice that some forces need contact between two objects, but magnetic forces can act at a distance. Observe how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others.</p> <p>Compare ad group together a variety of materials on the basis of whether they are attracted to a magnet, and identify some magnetic materials.</p> <p>Describe magnets as having two poles. Predict whether two magnets will attract or repel each other, depending on which poles are facing.</p>			

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Physics: Electricity					<p>Identify common appliances that run on electricity.</p> <p>Construct a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts, including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Recognise that a switch opens and closes a circuit and associate this with whether or not a lamp lights in a simple series circuit.</p> <p>Recognise some common conductors and insulators and associate metals with being good conductors.</p>		<p>Use recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram.</p> <p>Associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit.</p> <p>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.</p>

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Physics: Light				<p>Recognise that they need light in order to see things and that darkness is the absence of light.</p> <p>Notice that light is reflected from surfaces.</p> <p>Recognise that light from the sun can be dangerous and that there are ways to protect their eyes.</p> <p>Recognise that shadows are formed when the light from a light source is blocked by an opaque object.</p> <p>Find patterns in the way that the size of shadows change.</p>			<p>Recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Explain that we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to objects and then to our eyes.</p> <p>Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them.</p>

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Physics: Sound					<p>Identify how sounds are made, associating some of them with something vibrating. Recognise that vibrations from sounds travel through a medium to the ear.</p> <p>Find patterns between the pitch of a sound and features of the object that produce it.</p> <p>Find patterns between the volume of a sound and the strength of the vibrations that produced it.</p> <p>Recognise that sounds get fainter as the distance from the sound source increases</p>		