



National Curriculum Coverage Science

Subject Overview

This document shows the Early Learning Goals and National Curriculum coverage for Science. It highlights when each subject should be taught and which aspect of the National Curriculum is to be planned for. This is the starting point for the planning of a sequence of learning in each area. The placement of each objective has been carefully planned to allow for the clear progression of knowledge and skills.

This document should be used alongside the individual subject substantive and disciplinary knowledge progression maps for each year group. This is not a working document and should not be changed or altered without discussion with the subject lead.

	AUTUMN 1	AUTUMN 2	SPRING 1	SPRING 2	SUMMER 1	SUMMER 2	
EYFS	Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants. Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class. Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons and changing states of matter.						
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YEAR 1 Physics Chemistry Biology	Animals including humans: Introduction to body parts and the 5 senses relating to each one. Plants: Introduction to plants. Trees as plants and their basic structure (not function) Identification of common trees including deciduous and evergreen trees.	Everyday Materials: Distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made. Identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, and rock. Describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials. Compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties.	Animals including humans: Name and identify common animals, describe and compare the observable features of animals from a range of groups. Group animals according to what they eat Identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense.		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.		
	Seasonal changes : Observe changes across	the four seasons. Observe and desc	ribe weather associated with	the seasons and how day lengt	:h varies.		





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YEAR 2 Physics Chemistry Biology	Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses. nistry Find out how the shapes of solid objects made from		Living Things and their Habitat: Explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead, and things that have never been alive 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 Identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including micro-habitats 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		 Animals including Humans: Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults. Find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air). Describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene. Plants: Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy. 	
	Plants: Experience and observe natural phenomena looking more closely at the natural world around them, having first hand practical experiences using simple equipment, and recording data over time. Children have the experience of planting a variety of common and wild flowers to be able to observe change over time.				simple equipment, gathering	
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YEAR 3 Physics Chemistry Biology	Rocks: 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.		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: 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.	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. Identify that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement.	Forces and magnets: Compare how things move on different surfaces. Notice that some forces need contact between two objects, but magnetic forces can act at a distance. magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials. 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. Describe magnets as having two poles. Predict whether two magnets will attract or repel each other.





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YEAR 4	Sound : Identify how sounds are made, associating some of them with something	<i>Electricity:</i> Identify common appliances that run on electricity.	States of Matter : Compare and group materials whether they are solids, liqui Observe that some materials	ds or gases. change state when they are	Animals Including Humans: Describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in	Living Things and their Habitats: Recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of wave
Physics Chemistry Biology	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. 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.	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. 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.	heated or cooled, and measu temperature at which this ha (°C). The Water Cycle: Identify the part played by ev in the water cycle and associa with temperature.	ppens in degrees Celsius aporation and condensation	humans. Identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions. Construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey.	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.





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YEAR 5 Physics Chemistry Biology	from comparative and fair te everyday materials, including	r everyday materials on the uding their hardness, ductivity (electrical and agnets. ill dissolve in liquid to form a precover a substance from a uids and gases to decide how l, including through filtering, e reasons, based on evidence ests, for the particular uses of g metals, wood and plastic. , mixing and changes of state in that some changes result erials, and that this kind of ble, including changes	Earth and Space: Describe the movement of th relative to the Sun in the sola Describe the movement of th Earth. Describe the Sun, Earth and M spherical bodies. Use the idea of the Earth's ro night and the apparent move sky.	r system. e Moon relative to the Noon as approximately tation to explain day and	Forces: 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 moving surfaces. Recognise that some mechanisms, including levers, pulleys and gears, allow a smaller force to have a greater effect.	Animals including Humans: Describe the changes as humans develop to old age. Living things and their Habitats: 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.





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YEAR 6 Physics Chemistry Biology	Light: Recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines. 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. 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. Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them.	<i>Electricity:</i> Associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit. 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.	Living things and their Habitats: 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: Identify and name the main pasystem, and describe the functivessels and blood. Recognise the impact of diet, of on the way their bodies functi Describe the ways in which nuttransported within animals, in	tions of the heart, blood exercise, drugs and lifestyle on. trients and water are