## **KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS PROGRESSION IN SCIENCE**



	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6		
Progression in Knowledge									
				Biolog	SY .				
Animals including Humans	Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals.  Understand some important processes and changes to the natural world around them. Know some similarities and differences between the	Identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores,	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	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 human and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection	Describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in 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.	Describe the changes as humans develop to old age.	Identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood. Recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function. Describe the ways in which nutrients and		

	natural world	describe	of exercise,	and			water are
	around them	and	eating the	movement.			transported
	and	compare	right	movement.			within animals,
	contrasting	the	amounts of				including
	environments	structure of	different				humans.
	drawing on	a variety of	types of				namans.
	their own	common	food, and				
	experiences	animals	hygiene.				
	and what has	(fish,	nygiene.				
	been read in	amphibians,					
	class.	reptiles,					
	Ciuss.	birds and					
		mammals,					
		including					
		pets).					
		Identify,					
		name, draw					
		and label					
		the basic					
		parts of the					
		human					
		body and					
		say which					
		part of the					
		body is					
		associated					
		with each					
		sense.					
<b>K</b> ey	diet, exercise,	Animals	Basic needs	Nutrition	Herbivore	Birth	нeart
	hygiene	Herbivore	Diet	Skeleton	Carnivore	Conception/fertilization	Lungs
Vocabulary		Carnivore	Exercise	Muscles	Omnivore	Death	Blood
		Omnivore	Hygiene	Healthy	Canine	Develop	Veins
		Mammal	Illness	Unhealthy	Digestion	Egg	VEIIIS

		Bird Fish Reptile amphibian	Medicine Offspring Seven basic needs survive	Diet Bones Vertebrae Invertebrate	Incisor Large Intestine Molar Oesophagus Peristalsis Predator Prey Producer Salvia Small Intestines Stomach	Foetus Puberty womb	Arteries Heart rate
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Living things and their Habitats			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		Recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways. Explore and use classification keys to help groups. 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.	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.	Describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including microorganisms, plants and animals. Give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics.

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	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.			
	Explore and			
	compare the			
	differences.			
Key	Alive	Environment	Fertilisation	Classify
	Dead	Classify	Pollination	Vertebrate
Vocabulary	Living	Vertebrate	Pollen	Invertebrate
1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	Habitat	Invertebrate	Stamen	Exoskeleton
	Microhabitat	Exoskeleton	Pistil	Vascular
	Conditions	Key	Seed Dispersal	Non-Vascular
	Adapted	Adaptation	Reproduction	Taxonomy
	Food chain	Pollination		

			Omnivore Herbivore Carnivore				
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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.
Key Vocabulary							Adaption Environment Evolution Gene National selection Inheritance Organism Species
	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Plants	Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants.  Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world	Identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees. Identify and describe the basic	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.	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			

Vocabulary  heat, seeds, growing, germinating, senses*, planting, planting, leaf  heat, seeds, growing, germinating, senses*, planting, planting, leaf  Tree Plower Roots Stem Leaf Seed bulb  Nutrients Pollination Formation dispersal							
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	Everyday Materials	Use of Everyday	Rocks	States of Matter	Properties and changes of materials	
	iviateriais	Materials			Compare and group	
		iviaterials	Compare and		together everyday	
	Distinguish		group together	Compare and group materials	materials on the basis	
	between an	Identify and	different kinds of	together, according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases	of their properties,	
Materials	object and	compare the	rocks on the basis	Observe that some materials change	including their	
	the	suitability of	of their	state when they are heated or	hardness, solubility,	
	material	a variety of	appearance and	cooled, and measure or research the	transparency,	
	from which	everyday	simple physical	temperature at which this happens	conductivity (electrical	
	it is made	materials,	properties	in degrees Celsius (°C)	and thermal), and	
	Identify and	including	Describe in simple	Identify the part played by	response to magnets	
	name a	wood, metal,	terms how fossils	evaporation and	Know that some	
	variety of	plastic, glass,	are formed when	Condensation in the water cycle and	materials will dissolve	
	everyday	brick, rock,	things that have	associate the rate of evaporation	in liquid to form a	
	materials,	paper and	lived are trapped	with temperature.	solution, and describe	
	including	cardboard	within rock		how to recover a	
	wood,	for particular	Recognise that		substance from a	
	plastic,	uses	soils are made		solution	
	glass,	Find out how	from rocks and		Use knowledge of	
	metal,	the shapes	organic matter		solids, liquids and gases	
	water, and	of solid			to decide how mixtures	
	rock	objects			might be separated,	
	Describe	made			including through	
	the simple	from some			filtering, sieving and	
	physical	materials can be			evaporating	
	properties				Give reasons, based on	
	of a variety	changed by			evidence from	
	of everyday materials.	squashing, bending,			comparative and fair	
	Compare	twisting and			tests, for the particular uses of everyday	
	and group	stretching.			materials, including	
	together a	Jeretering.			metals, wood and	
	variety of				plastic	
	everyday				Demonstrate that	
	materials				dissolving, mixing and	

Key		simple physical properties.  Wood Metal	Wood Metal	Rock Soil	change	reversible changes Explain that some changes result in the formation of new materials, and that this kind of change is not usually reversible, including changes associated with burning and the action of acid on bicarbonate of soda.  Soluble Insoluble	
Vocabulary		Plastic Glass Rubber Rock Fabric Paper Brick Fragile smooth	Plastic Glass Rubber Rock Fabric Paper Brick Fragile smooth Squashing Bending Twisting stretching	Fossil Appearance Physical properties. Marble Granite Sandstone Pumice Top soil Subsoil Rocky soil Bedrock Earth's Crust	collection condensation evaporation freeze gas heat liquid precipitation property solid temperature thermometer	Saturation Solution Filtration Boiling Condensing Evaporation Freezing Melting Point Chemical Change Physical Change Reversible Change Irreversible Change	
	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6

	Explore the		
	natural	Compare how	Identify the effects of
	world	things move on	air resistance, water
		different surfaces	resistance and friction,
Forces and	around them	Notice that some	that act between
i orecs aria	and make	forces need	moving surfaces.
Magnets	observations.	contact between	Recognise that some
		two objects, but	mechanisms, including
		magnetic forces	levers, pulleys
		can act at a	and gears, allow
		distance	a smaller force
		Observe how	to have a greater
		magnets attract or	effect.
		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	
		Describe magnets	
		as having two	
		poles	
		predict whether	
		two magnets will	
		attract or repel	
		each other,	

EYFS										
Light	/FS Year 1		Year 2							
Light	Physics									
		Light								

		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.		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
<b>K</b> ey		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		see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to objects and then to our eyes.
Vocabulary		Reflect		Shadow
,		Shadow		Opaque
		Opaque		Translucent
		Translucent		Transparent
		Transparent		Luminous

				Luminous			Scattering Absorption Refraction
	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Earth and Space	Explore the natural world around them and make observations.					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.  Use the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night and the apparent movement of the sun across the sky.	
<b>K</b> ey Vocabulary	Space Space rocket Alien Moon Teddy bear Bear Fire Box					Orbit Exis Planet Day Month	

	Journey Jam Quick/slow/fast Earth Star Clever					Planet Solar System Year Gravity	
	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
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. 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.		
<b>K</b> ey					Vibrate Vibrations		
Vocabulary					Volume Pitch Pinna		
					Cochlea Ear Drum		

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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. 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.		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
<b>K</b> ey Vocabulary					Appliance Battery Circuits Components		Appliance Battery Circuits Components

Key	indigenous, wild, sea,	spring Summer			
Vocabulary	desert, minibeasts, dinosaurs,	Autumn Winter			
	farm animals	Rain Sun			
		Change			

	Progression in working scientifically skills							
	EYFS	ŀ	<b>(S1</b>	Lk	<b>(S2</b>	U	KS2	
Comparative/Fair testing		Perform simple tests		Setting up simple practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests Using results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further questions.		Using test results to make predictions to set up further comparative and fair tests.		
		Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 6	
		Perform simple tests	Perform simple comparative	Setting up simple practical enquiries,	Setting up simple practical enquiries,	Using test results to make predictions	Using test results to make predictions	

	and fair tests	comparative comparative and fair tests tests	to set up to set up further comparative comparative
			and fair and fair tests
Research	Using their observation and ideas to suggest answer to questions	Ask relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them.	
Observation over time	Observe closely using simple equipment.	Making systematic and careful observations and where appropriate taking accurate measurements using standard units using a range of equipment including thermometers and data loggers.	Taking measurements using a range of scientific equipment with increasing accuracy and precision taking repeat readings when appropriate.
Pattern-seeking	Gathering and recording data to help in answering questions.	Identifying differences,	Reporting and presenting findings from enquiries including conclusions, casual relationships and explanations of and degree of trust in results in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations.

Identifying, grouping and classifying	Identifying and classifying	Gathering, recording, classifying and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions. Recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts and tables.	Recording data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs.
Problem-Solving	Using their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions.	Use straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or to support their findings.	Identifying scientific evidence that has been used to support or refute ideas or arguments.

Progression in working scientifically skills								
	EYFS	KS1	LKS2	UKS2				

Calacatic	Show curiosity and ask	Asking simple questions	Asking relevant questions	Planning different types
Scientific	•	• • •		
knowledge and	questions	and recognising that they	and using different types	of scientific enquires to
		can be answered in	of scientific enquiry to	answer questions
conceptual		different ways.	answer them.	including recognising and
understanding			The children consider	controlling variables
_		While exploring the	their prior knowledge	where necessary.
		world the children	when asking questions.	Children independently
		develop the ability to ask	They independently use a	ask scientific questions.
		questions (such as what	range of question stems	They may be stimulated
		something is how things	where appropriate they	by a scientific experience
		are similar and different,	answer these questions.	or ask further questions
		the way things work,	The children answer	based on their developed
		which alternative is	questions posed by the	understanding following
		better, how things	teacher.	an enquiry.
		change and how the		. ,
		happen).	When given a range of	Give children a wide
		in prompt	resources the children	range of resources the
		Where appropriate they	decide for themselves	children decide for
		answer these questions.	how to gather evidence	themselves how to
		distret these questions.	to answer the question.	gather evidence to
		The children answer	to answer the question.	answer a scientific
		questions developed		question of enquiry to
		with the teacher often		1 -
				carry out and justify their
		through a scenario.		choice. They recognise
				how secondary sources
				can be used to answer
				questions that cannot be
				answered through
				practical work.

Nature, processes and methods of science	Make observations using their senses and simple equipment.  Use equipment to measure.	Observing closely using simple equipment. Children explore the world around them. They make careful observations to support identification comparison and noticing changes. They use appropriate senses aided by equipment such as magnifying glasses.  They begin to take measurements initially by comparisons then using non-standard units.	Making systematic and careful observations and where appropriate taking accurate measurements using standard units using a range of equipment including thermometers.  The children make systematic and careful observations.  They use a range of equipment for measuring length, time, temperature and capacity. They use standard units for measuring.	Taking measurements using a range of scientific equipment with increasing accuracy and precision, taking repeat readings when appropriate. The children select measuring equipment to give the most precise results eg ruler, tape measure, trundle wheel, force meter with a suitable scale. During an enquiry they make decisions e.g. whether they need to repeat readings, adjust the observation (observing over time) to make accurate data.
Uses and implications	Make direct comparisons.  Use equipment to measure.  Identify and sort group.	Performing Simple Tests The children use practical resources provided to gather evidence to answer questions generated by themselves or the teacher. They carry out tests to classify	Setting up simple practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests. The children select from a range of practical resources to gather evidence to answer	Planning different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions including recognising and controlling variables where necessary.

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Progression in working scientifically skills					
	EYFS	KS1	LKS2	UKS2	

Caiaairr	Show curiosity and ask	Asking simple questions	Asking relevant questions	Planning different types
Scientific	•	• • •		
knowledge and	questions	and recognising that they	and using different types	of scientific enquires to
		can be answered in	of scientific enquiry to	answer questions
conceptual		different ways.	answer them.	including recognising and
understanding			The children consider	controlling variables
		While exploring the	their prior knowledge	where necessary.
		world the children	when asking questions.	Children independently
		develop the ability to ask	They independently use a	ask scientific questions.
		questions (such as what	range of question stems	They may be stimulated
		something is how things	where appropriate they	by a scientific experience
		are similar and different,	answer these questions.	or ask further questions
		the way things work,	The children answer	based on their developed
		which alternative is	questions posed by the	understanding following
		better, how things	teacher.	an enquiry.
		change and how the		. ,
		happen).	When given a range of	Give children a wide
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		Where appropriate they	decide for themselves	children decide for
		answer these questions.	how to gather evidence	themselves how to
		answer these questions.	to answer the question.	gather evidence to
		The children answer	to answer the question.	answer a scientific
		questions developed		question of enquiry to
		with the teacher often		carry out and justify their
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	comparative tests, pattern seeking enquiries and make observations over time. Identifying and classifying Using their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions. Children use their observations and testing to compare objects materials and living things. They sort and group these things identifying their own criteria for sorting.	simple questions generated by themselves or the teacher. They follow their plan to carry out observations and test to classify comparative and simple fair tests, observation over time and pattern seeking.	The children select a range of practical resources by gathering evidence to answer the questions. They carry out fair test recognising and controlling variables. They decide what observations or measurements to make over time and for how long. The look for patterns and relationships using a suitable sample.
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