Threshold concepts of Sci	ence		
Working scientifically	Biology	Chemistry	Physics
*Working scientifically This concept involves learning the methodologies of the discipline on science.	*Understand Plants This concept involves becoming familiar with different types of plants, their structure and reproduction.	*Investigate materials This concept involves becoming familiar with a range of materials, their properties, uses and how	*Understand movement, forces and magnets This concept involves understanding what causes motion.
5 enquiry types: Comparative fair testing	*Understand animals and Humans This concept involves becoming familiar with different types of animals, humans and life processes	they may be altered or changed.	*Understand the Earth's movement in space This concept involves understating what causes seasonal changes, day and night.
Identifying, classifying and grouping	they share. *Investigate living things and habitats This concept involves becoming familiar with a		*Investigate light and seeing This concept involves understanding how light and reflection affects sight.
Observing over time	wider range of living things, including insects and understanding life processes. *Understand evolution and		*Investigate sound and hearing This concept involves understanding how sound is produced, how it travels and
Pattern seeking	inheritance This concept involves understanding that organisms come into		how it is heard. *Understand electrical circuits This concept involves
Researching using secondary sources	existence, adapt, change and evolve and become extinct.		understanding circuits and their role in electrical applications.

Science Progression Map

Map of Topics

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 1	The Human Body Seasonal Changes - Autumn	Everyday materials Seasonal Changes - Winter	Plants Planting A	Planting B Sustainability – Caring for the planet Seasonal changes - Spring	Animals including humans Planting C	Growing and Cooking Seasonal changes - Summer
Year 2	Materials	Animals including humans – Animals Need for Survival	Living things and their habitats	Humans Plants – Light and Dark	Plants – Bulbs and Seeds Sustainability – Plastic	Growing Up Sustainability – Wildlife
Year 3	Light	Nutrition and Diet Sustainability – Food Waste Rocks	Fossils Soil	Plants	Skeletons and Movement	Forces and magnets Biodiversity (Plants B)
Year 4	States of matter Data Collection	Group and classify living things Habitats Deforestation	Sound	Electricity Sustainable energy Data collection B	Digestive system	Food Chains Data collection C
Year 5	Forces Sustainability - Pollution	Space Sustainability – Global warming	Animal Including humans	Animals including humans (continued) Life cycle	Properties and changes of materials	Reproduction A Reproduction B
Year 6	Living things and their habitats	Light Sustainability – Light pollution	Electricity Sustainability – renewable energy	The circulatory system Diet, drugs and lifestyle	Variations Adaptation	Fossils

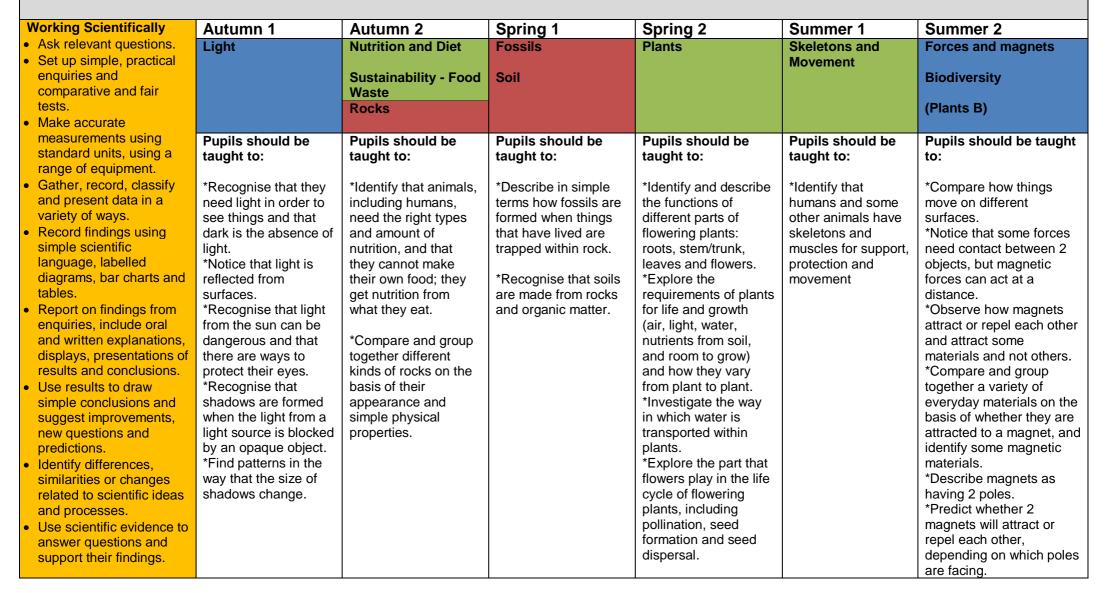


Year 1						
Working	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
 Scientifically Ask simple questions. Observe closely, using simple equipment. Perform simple tests. Identify and classify. Use Observations and 	The Human Body - Seasonal Changes - Autumn	Everyday materials Seasonal Changes - Winter	Plants Planting A	Planting B Sustainability – Caring for the planet Seasonal changes - Spring	Animals including humans Planting C	Growing and Cooking Seasonal changes - Summer
ideas to suggest answers and	Pupils should be taught to:	Pupils should be taught to:	Pupils should be taught to:	Pupils should be taught to:	Pupils should be taught to:	Pupils should be taught to:
 Gather and record data to help in answering questions. 	*Identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense. *Observe changes across the four seasons. *Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies.	*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. *Observe changes across the four seasons.	*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.	*How can we care for our planet? *Observe changes across the four seasons. *Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies.	*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 *Describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals including pets)	*Where does my food come from? *Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies.



Year 2

Working	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Scientifically Ask simple questions. Observe closely, using simple equipment. Perform simple tests.	Materials	Animals Need for Survival	Living things and their habitats	Humans Plants – Light and Dark	Plants – Bulbs and Seeds Sustainability - Plastic	Growing Up Sustainability – Wildlife
 Perform simple tests. Identify and classify. Use Observations and ideas to suggest answers and questions. Gather and record data to help in answering questions. 	Pupils should be taught to: *Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses. *Find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching	Pupils should be taught to: *Find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air).	Pupils should be taught to: *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. *Explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead, and things that have never been alive. *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	Pupils should be taught to: *Describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene. *Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.	Pupils should be taught to: *Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. *How is plastic helpful and harmful?	Pupils should be taught to: *Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults. *Why is it important to care for wildlife?





Year 4

Working Scientifically	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Ask relevant questions.	States of matter	Group and classify	Sound	Electricity	Digestive system	Food Chains
Set up simple, practical		living things				
enquiries and	Data Collection			Sustainable energy		Data collection C
comparative and fair		Habitats				
tests.		Deforestation		Data collection B		
Make accurate						
measurements using	Pupils should be	Pupils should be	Pupils should be	Pupils should be	Pupils should be	Pupils should be
standard units, using a	taught to:	taught to:	taught to:	taught to:	taught to:	taught to:
range of equipment.						
Gather, record, classify	*Compare and group	*Recognise that living	*Identify how sounds	*Identify common	*Describe the	*Construct and
and present data in a	materials together,	things can be	are made, associating	appliances that run on	simple functions of	interpret a variety of
variety of ways.	according to whether	grouped in a variety	some of them with	electricity.	the basic parts of	food chains,
Record findings using	they are solids, liquids	of ways.	something vibrating.	*Construct a simple	the digestive	identifying producers,
simple scientific	or gases.	*Explore and use	*Recognise that	series electrical circuit,	system in humans.	predators and prey.
language, labelled	*Observe that some	classification keys to	vibrations from	identifying and naming		
diagrams, bar charts and	materials change	help group, identify	sounds travel through	its basic parts, including	*Identify the	
tables.	state when they are	and name a variety of	a medium to the ear.	cells, wires, bulbs,	different types of	
Report on findings from	heated or cooled, and	living things in their	*Find patterns	switches and buzzers.	teeth in humans	
enquiries, include oral	measure or research	local and wider	between the pitch of a	*Identify whether or not	and their simple	
and written explanations,	the temperature at	environment.	sound and features of	a lamp will light in a	functions.	
displays, presentations of	which this happens in	*Recognise that environments can	the object that	simple series circuit,		
results and conclusions.	degrees Celsius (°C).	change and that this	produced it.	based on whether or not		
Use results to draw	*Identify the part	can sometimes pose	*Find patterns between the volume	the lamp is part of a		
simple conclusions and	played by evaporation and condensation in	dangers to living	of a sound and the	complete loop with a battery.		
suggest improvements,	the water cycle and	things.	strength of the	*Recognise that a		
new questions and	associate the rate of	tilligs.	vibrations that	switch opens and closes		
predictions.	evaporation with		produced it.	a circuit and associate		
 Identify differences, similarities or changes 	temperature.		*Recognise that	this with whether or not		
related to scientific ideas	temperature.		sounds get fainter as	a lamp lights in a simple		
and processes.			the distance from the	series circuit.		
			sound source	*Recognise some		
Use scientific evidence to			increases.	common conductors		
answer questions and				and insulators, and		
support their findings.				associate metals with		
				being good conductors.		

Year 5

Working Scientifically	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
 Plan enquiries, including recognising and 	Forces	Space	Animal Including	Animals including humans	Properties and changes of materials	Reproduction A
controlling variables.	Sustainability -	Sustainability –	humans	(continued)	materials	Reproduction B
Use appropriate tashnigues, apparatus	Pollution	Global warming				
techniques, apparatus and materials during field				Life cycle		
and lab work.	Pupils should be	Pupils should be	Pupils should	Pupils should be	Pupils should be taught to:	Pupils should be
 Measure accurately and precisely using a range 	taught to:	taught to:	be taught to:	taught to:	*Compare and group together	taught to:
of equipment.	*Explain that	*Describe the	*Describe the	*Describe the	everyday materials on the basis of	*Describe the life
Record data and results	unsupported objects	movement of the	changes as	differences in the	their properties, including their	process of
using correct scientific model.	fall towards the Earth because of the force of	Earth and other planets relative to the	humans develop to old age.	life cycles of a mammal, an	hardness, solubility, transparency, conductivity (electrical and	reproduction in some plants and
Report findings from	gravity acting between	sun in the solar		amphibian, an	thermal), and response to magnets.	animals.
enquiries, including oral	the Earth and the falling object.	system. *Describe the		insect and a bird.	*Know that some materials will dissolve in liquid to form a solution,	
and written explanations of results, explanations	*Identify the effects of	movement of the			and describe how to recover a	
involving causal	air resistance, water	moon relative to the			substance from a solution.	
relationships and conclusions.	resistance and friction that act between	Earth. *Describe the sun,			*Use knowledge of solids, liquids and gases to decide how mixtures	
 Present findings in 	moving surfaces.	Earth and moon as			might be separated, including	
written form, displays	*Recognise that some mechanisms including	approximately spherical bodies.			through filtering, sieving and evaporating.	
and other presentations.Use test results to make	levers, pulleys and	*Use the idea of the			*Give reasons, based on evidence	
predictions to set up	gears allow a smaller	Earth's rotation to			from comparative and fair tests, for	
further comparative tests and fair tests.	force to have a greater effect	explain day and night and the apparent			the particular uses of everyday materials, including metals, wood	
 Use simple models to 		movement of the sun			and plastic.	
describe scientific ideas,		across the sky.			*Demonstrate that dissolving, mixing and changes of state are	
identifying scientific evidence that has been					reversible changes.	
used to support or refute					*Explain that some changes result in the formation of new materials,	
ideas or arguments.					and that this kind of change is not	
					usually reversible, including	
					changes associated with burning and the action of acid on	
					bicarbonate of soda.	



Year 6



Working Scientifically	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
 Plan enquiries, including recognising and controlling variables. Use appropriate techniques, apparatus and materials during field 	Living things and their habitats	Light Sustainability – Light pollution	Electricity Sustainability – renewable energy	The circulatory system Diet, drugs and lifestyle	Variations Adaptation	Fossils
 and lab work. Measure accurately and precisely using a range of equipment. Record data and results using correct scientific model. Report findings from enquiries, including oral and written explanations of results, explanations of results, explanations involving causal relationships and conclusions. Present findings in written form, displays and other presentations. Use test results to make predictions to set up further comparative tests and fair tests. Use simple models to describe scientific ideas, identifying scientific evidence that has been used to support or refute ideas or arguments. 	Pupils should be taught to: *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.	Pupils should be taught to: *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.	Pupils should be taught to: *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.	Pupils should be taught to: *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 water are transported within animals, including humans.	Pupils should be taught to: *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.	Pupils should be taught to: *Recognise that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago.

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