



RSS Science Skills Overview

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| Working Scientifically | YEAR 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask simple questions and recognise that they can be answered in different ways • Use simple equipment to observe closely • Perform simple tests • Identify and classify • Use his/her observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions • Gather and record data to help in answering questions | YEAR 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask simple questions and recognise that they can be answered in different ways including use of scientific language from the national curriculum • Use simple equipment to observe closely including changes over time • Perform simple comparative tests (Year 2 focus) ☑ Identify, group and classify • Use his/her observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions noticing similarities, differences and patterns • Gather and record data to help in answering questions including from secondary sources of information |
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| UNIT | National Curriculum POS | Progression of Skills |
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| Explorers – Seasonal Changes & Materials & their Properties | Seasonal Changes Year 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Observe changes across the four seasons • Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies. Materials & their Properties Year 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. Year 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. | Progression of Skills YEAR 1 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made 2. Identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, and rock 3. Describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials 4. Compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties YEAR 2 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses 2. Describe how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching |

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| Plants | <p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 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 <p>Year 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 | <p>Year 1</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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? <p>Year 2</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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? |
| Animals Including Humans | <p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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) 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>Year 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 | <p>Year 1.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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)? 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>Year 2.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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? |
| Living Things & Habitats | <p>Year 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 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 | <p>Year 2</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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? Identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals? |