

Science Progression Framework



This document details the progression of knowledge and skills learned by the children throughout their time at Kewstoke. It is split into two categories:

- Working scientifically
 - Subject Knowledge

For both categories, the knowledge and skills have been carefully mapped to ensure progression in learning within the following different areas.

Working Scientifically

Asking questions and recognising that they can be answered in different ways

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Working Scientifically

Early Years	Years 1 & 2	Years 3 & 4	Years 5 & 6
	Asking questions and r	ecognising that they can be an	swered in different ways
Children show curiosity about the world around them and ask questions about how and why things occur. With adult support, children are encouraged to wonder about the things that they notice around them.	Ask simple questions and recognise that they can be answered in different ways While exploring the world, the children develop their ability to ask questions (such as what something is, how things are similar and different, the ways things work, which alternative is better, how things change and how they happen). Where appropriate, they answer these questions. The children answer questions developed with the teacher often through a scenario. The children are involved in planning how to use resources provided to answer the questions using different types of enquiry, helping them to recognise that there are different ways in which questions can be answered.	 Ask relevant questions and use different types of scientific enquiries to answer them The children consider their prior knowledge when asking questions. They independently use a range of question stems. Where appropriate, they answer these questions. The children answer questions posed by the teacher. Given a range of resources, the children decide for themselves how to gather evidence to answer the question. They recognise when secondary sources can be used to answer questions that cannot be answered through practical work. They identify the type of enquiry that they have chosen to answer their question 	Plan different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary • Children independently ask scientific questions. This may be stimulated by a scientific experience or involve asking further questions based on their developed understanding following an enquiry. • Given a wide range of resources the children decide for themselves how to gather evidence to answer a scientific question. They choose a type of enquiry to carry out and justify their choice. They recognise how secondary sources can be used to answer questions that cannot be answered through practical work.

Early Years	Years 1 & 2	Years 3 & 4	Years 5 & 6
	Making observ	ations and taking measurements	
Observe closely and use simple equipment with support. Children explore the world around them and notice similarities and differences in what they see in different settings/situations. Children notice changes and can talk about them.	Observe closely, using simple equipment Children explore the world around them. They make careful observations to support identification, comparison and noticing change. They use appropriate senses, aided by equipment such as magnifying glasses or digital microscopes, to make their observations. They begin to take measurements, initially by comparisons, then using non-standard units.	Make systematic and careful observations and, where appropriate, take accurate measurements using a range of equipment, including thermometers and data loggers • Children explore the world around them. They make careful observations to support identification, comparison and noticing change. They use appropriate senses, aided by equipment such as magnifying glasses or digital microscopes, to make their observations. • They begin to take measurements, initially by comparisons, then using nonstandard units.	Take 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 e.g. ruler, tape measure or trundle wheel, force meter with a suitable scale. • During an enquiry, they make decisions e.g. whether they need to: take repeat readings (fair testing); increase the sample size (pattern seeking); adjust the observation period and frequency (observing over time); or check further secondary sources (researching); in order to get accurate data (closer to the true value).

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	Engaging in practical e	enquiry to answer questions	
With support, children use practical resources to test their ideas (e.g. using a magnet to see if an object is magnetic). Children can sort into a given criterion.	The children use practical resources provided to gather evidence to answer questions generated by themselves or the teacher. They carry out: tests to classify; comparative tests; pattern seeking enquiries; and make observations over time. Identify and classify 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. They use simple secondary sources (such as identification sheets) to name living things. They describe the characteristics they used to identify a living thing	The children select from a range of practical resources to gather evidence to answer questions generated by themselves or the teacher. They follow their plan to carry out: observations and tests to classify; comparative and simple fair tests; observations over time; and pattern seeking Explanatory note: A comparative test is performed by changing a variable that is qualitative e.g. the type of material, shape of the parachute. This leads to a ranked outcome. A fair test is performed by changing a variable that is quantitative e.g. the thickness of the material or the area of the canopy. This leads to establishing a causative relationship.	Plan different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary • The children select from a range of practic resources to gather evidence to answer the questions. They carry out fair tests, recognising and controlling variables. They decide what observations or measurements to make over time and for how long. They look for patterns and relationships using a suitable sample.

Early Years	Years 1 & 2	Years 3 & 4	Years 5 & 6
	Record	ing and presenting evidence	
Talk about what they have noticed. • Children will discuss what their simple test shows and the observations that they have made. • They may begin to	The children record their observations e.g. using photographs, videos, drawings, labelled diagrams or in writing. They record their	Gather, record, classify and present data in a variety of ways to help answer questions Record findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables The children sometimes decide how to record and present evidence. They	Record data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs The children decide how to record and present evidence. They
make marks (which they can explain) to show their findings.	measurements e.g. using prepared tables, pictograms, tally charts and block graphs. They classify using simple prepared tables and sorting rings.	record their observation e.g. using photographs, videos, pictures, labelled diagrams or writing. They record their measurements e.g. using tables, tally charts and bar charts (given templates, if required, to which they can add headings). They record classifications e.g. using tables, Venn diagrams, Carroll diagrams. Children are supported to present the same data in different ways in order to help with answering the question.	record observations e.g. using annotated photographs, videos, labelled diagrams, observational drawings, labelled scientific diagrams or writing. They record measurements e.g. using tables, tally charts, bar charts, line graphs and scatter graphs. They record classifications e.g. using tables, Venn diagrams, Carroll diagrams and classification keys. Children present the same data in different ways in order to help with answering the question.

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Answering questions and concluding						
Praw on their own experiences to discuss what has happened and the leasons why this might be. Children can accurately describe what they observe/notice. Adults use probing, open-ended questions to elicit explanations about how/why things have happened.	Children use their experiences of the world around them to suggest appropriate answers to questions. They are supported to relate these to their	Use straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or to support findings. • Children answer their own and others' questions based on observations they have made, measurements they have taken or information they have gained from secondary sources. The answers are consistent with the evidence. Identify differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes • Children interpret their data to generate simple comparative statements based on their evidence. They begin to identify naturally occurring patterns and causal relationships. Use results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further questions • They draw conclusions based on their evidence and current subject knowledge	to support or refute ideas or arguments Children answer their own and others' questions based on observations they have made, measurements they have taken or information they have gained from secondary sources. When doing this, they discuss whether other evidence e.g. from other groups, secondary sources and their scientific understanding, supports or refutes their answer. They talk about how their scientific ideas change due to new evidence that they have gathered. They talk about how new discoveries change scientific understanding. Report and present findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations In their conclusions, children: identify causa relationships and patterns in the natural world from their evidence; identify results that do not fit the overall pattern; and explain their findings using their subject knowledge.			

	Early Years	Years 1 & 2	Years 3 & 4	Years 5 & 6
Evaluating and raising further questions and predictions				
Α			Use results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further questions	Report and present findings from enquiries, including conclusions, caurelationships and explanations of and degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations
			 They identify ways in which they adapted their method as they progressed or how they would do it differently if they repeated the enquiry. 	 They evaluate, for example, the choice of method used, the control of variables, the precision and accuracy measurements and the credibility of secondary sources used. They identify any limitations the reduce the trust they have in their day
			Use results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further	Use test results to make predictions set up further comparative and fair tests
			 Children use their evidence to suggest values for different items tested using the same method e.g. the distance travelled 	Children use the scientific knowledge gained from enquiry work to make predictions they can investigate using comparative and fair tests.
			 Following a scientific experience, the children ask further questions which can be 	
			answered by extending the same enquiry.	

Early Years	Years 1 & 2	Years 3 & 4	Years 5 & 6
	Commu	nicating their findings	
		Report on findings from enquiries, including oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and conclusions	Report and present findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations
		 They communicate their findings to an audience both orally and in writing, using appropriate scientific vocabulary. 	They communicate their findings to an audience using relevant scientific language and illustrations.

Topic knowledge

KEY: Statements in black National Curriculum/ Early Years Frame		National Curriculum/ Early Years Framework statements from that topic.
	Statements in red	National Curriculum/ Early Years Framework statements from other linked topics.
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	Plants
Early Learning Goal	 Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and talk about changes.
Year 1	 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.
Year 2	 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 name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including microhabitats. (Y2 - Living things and their habitats)
Year 3	 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.
Year 4	 Recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways. (Y4 - Living things and their habitats) Explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment. (Y4 - Living things and their habitats) Recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things. (Y4 - Living things and their habitats)
Year 5	Describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals. (Y5 - Living things and their habitats)
Year 6	 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. (Y6 - Living things and their habitats) Give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics. (Y6 - Living things and their habitats)
KS3	 Reproduction in plants, including flower structure, wind and insect pollination, fertilisation, seed and fruit formation and dispersal, including quantitative investigation of some dispersal mechanisms.

	Living Things And Their Habitats
Early Learning Goal	 Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and talk about changes.
Year 1	 Identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees. (Y1 - Plants) Identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees. (Y1 - Plants) Identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. (Y1 - Animals including humans) Identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. (Y1 - Animals including humans) Describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals, including pets). (Y1 - Animals, including humans)
	Observe changes across the four seasons. (Y1 - Seasonal change) Evelore and compare the differences between things that are living dead, and things that have never been alive.
Year 2	 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.
reu. 2	 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. Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults. (Y2 - Animals including humans)
Year 3	• Explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal. (Y3 - Plants)
Year 4	 Recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety 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. Construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey. (Y4 - Animals, including humans)
Year 5	 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.
Year 6	 Give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics. Recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind, but normally offspring vary and are not identical to their parents. (Y6 - Evolution and inheritance)

	•	Identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and that adaptation may lead to evolution. (Y6 - Evolution and inheritance)
кѕз		Reproduction in humans (as an example of a mammal), including the structure and function of the male and female reproductive systems, menstrual cycle (without details of hormones), gametes, fertilisation, gestation and birth, to include the effect of maternal lifestyle on the foetus through the placenta. Reproduction in plants, including flower structure, wind and insect pollination, fertilisation, seed and fruit formation and dispersal, including quantitative investigation of some dispersal mechanisms. Differences between species.

	Animals Including Humans	
Early Learning Goal	 Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and talk about changes. 	
Year 1	 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. 	
Year 2	 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. 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. (Y2 - Living things and their habitats) 	
Year 3	 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. 	
Year 4	 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. 	
Year 5	 Describe the changes as humans develop to old age. Describe the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird. (Y5 - Living things and their habitats) Describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals. (Y5 - Living things and their habitats) 	

	Year 6	 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. 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. (Y6 - Living things and their habitats) Give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics. (Y6 - Living things and their habitats)
	KS3	 Reproduction in humans (as an example of a mammal), including the structure and function of the male and female reproductive systems, menstrual cycle (without details of hormones), gametes, fertilisation, gestation and birth, to include the effect of maternal lifestyle on the foetus through the placenta.
		The consequences of imbalances in the diet, including obesity, starvation and deficiency diseases.
Ш		The effects of recreational drugs (including substance misuse) on behaviour, health and life processes.
П		The structure and functions of the gas exchange system in humans, including adaptations to function.
П		The mechanism of breathing to move air in and out of the lungs.
		The impact of exercise, asthma and smoking on the human gas exchange system.

Evolution and Inheritance	
Early Learning Goal	 Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and talk about changes.
Year 1	This theme is not taught in this year group
Year 2	 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. (Y2 - Living things and their habitats) Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults. (Y2 - Animals, including humans) Describe in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock. (Y3 - Rocks) Explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal. (Y3 -
Year 3	Plants)
Year 4	• Recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things. (Y4 - Living things and their habitats)
Year 5	Describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals. (Living things and their habitats - Y5)

Year 6	 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.
	 Heredity as the process by which genetic information is transmitted from one generation to the next. A simple model of chromosomes, genes and DNA in heredity, including the part played by Watson, Crick, Wilkins and Franklin in the development of the DNA model.
KS3	 The variation between species and between individuals of the same species means some organisms compete more successfully, which can drive natural selection. Changes in the environment may leave individuals within a species, and some entire species, less well adapted to compete successfully and reproduce, which in turn may lead to extinction.

	Seasonal Changes	
Early Learning Goal	 Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and talk about changes. 	
Year 1	 Observe changes across the four seasons. Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies. 	
Year 2	This theme is not taught in this year group	
Year 3	Recognise that light from the sun can be dangerous and that there are ways to protect their eyes. (Y3 - Light)	
Year 4	This theme is not taught in this year group	
Year 5	• Use the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night and the apparent movement of the Sun across the sky. (Y5 - Earth and space)	
Year 6	This theme is not taught in this year group	
KS3	The seasons and the Earth's tilt, day length at different times of year, in different hemispheres.	

	Materials Materials Materials Materials Materials
Early Learning Goal	 Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and talk about changes.
Year 1	 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	 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.
Year 3	 Compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties. (Y3 - Rocks) Describe in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock. (Y3 - Rocks) 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. (Y3 - Forces and magnets)
Year 4	 Compare and group materials together, according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases. 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 (°C). Identify the part played by evaporation and condensation in the water cycle and associate the rate of evaporation with temperature. Recognise some common conductors and insulators, and associate metals with being good conductors. (Y4 - Electricity)
Year 5	 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. Know that some materials will dissolve in liquid to form a solution, and describe how to recover a substance from a solution. Use knowledge of solids, liquids and gases to decide how mixtures might be separated, including through filtering, sieving and evaporating. Give reasons, based on evidence from comparative and fair tests, for the particular uses of everyday materials, including metals, wood and plastic. Demonstrate that dissolving, mixing and changes of state are 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.
Year 6	This theme is not taught in this year
KS3	 Chemical reactions as the rearrangement of atoms. Representing chemical reactions using formulae and using equations. Combustion, thermal decomposition, oxidation and displacement reactions. Defining acids and alkalis in terms of neutralisation reactions.

	Rocks
Early Learning Goal	 Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and talk about changes.
Year 1	 Distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made. (Y1 - Everyday materials) Identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, and rock. (Y1 - Everyday materials) Describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials. (Y1 - Everyday materials) Compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties. (Y1 - Everyday materials
Year 2	 Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses. (Y2 - Uses of everyday materials)
Year 3	 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.
Year 4	This theme is not taught in this year
Year 5	This theme is not taught in this year
Year 6	 Recognise that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago. (Y6 - Evolution and inheritance)
KS3	 The composition of the Earth. The structure of the Earth. The rock cycle and the formation of igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic rocks.

	Light
Early Learning Goal	 Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and talk about changes.
Year 1	 Identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense. (Y1 - Animals, including humans) Describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials. (Y1 - Materials)

Year 2	
Year 3	 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.
Year 4	This theme is not taught in this year
Year 5	 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. (Y5 – Materials)
Year 6	 Recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines. Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye. Explain that we see things because light travels from sources to our eyes or from sources to objects and then to our eyes. Use idea that light travels in straight lines to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them.
KS3	 The similarities and differences between light waves and waves in matter. Light waves travelling through a vacuum; speed of light. The transmission of light through materials: absorption, diffuse scattering, specular reflection at a surface. Use of ray model to explain imaging in mirrors, the pinhole camera, the refraction of light and action of convex lens in focusing (qualitative); the human eye. Light transferring energy from source to absorber leading to chemical and electrical effects; photo-sensitive material in the retina and in cameras. Colours and the different frequencies of light, white light and prisms (qualitative only); differential colour effects in absorption and diffuse reflection.

	Forces	
Early	Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things. They talk about the features of	
Learni	their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. They make observations of animals and plants	
Goal	and explain why some things occur and talk about changes.	
Year 1	This theme is not taught in this year	

 Find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching. (Y2 Uses of everyday materials)
 Compare how things move on different surfaces. 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. 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, depending on which poles are facing. This theme is not taught in this year
 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.
This theme is not taught in this year
 Magnetic fields by plotting with compass, representation by field lines. Earth's magnetism, compass and navigation. Forces as pushes or pulls, arising from the interaction between two objects. Using force arrows in diagrams, adding forces in one dimension, balanced and unbalanced forces. Moment as the turning effect of a force. Forces: associated with deforming objects; stretching and squashing – springs; with rubbing and friction between surfaces, with pushing things out of the way; resistance to motion of air and water. Forces measured in Newtons, measurements of stretch or compression as force is changed.

	Sound
Early Learning Goal	 Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and talk about changes.
Year 1	 Identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense. (Y1 - Animals, including humans)

Year 2	This theme is not taught in this year
Year 3	This theme is not taught in this year
Year 4	 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.
Year 5	This theme is not taught in this year
Year 6	This theme is not taught in this year
KS3	 Waves on water as undulations which travel through water with transverse motion; these waves can be reflected, and add or cancel – superposition. Frequencies of sound waves, measured in Hertz (Hz); echoes, reflection and absorption of sound. Sound needs a medium to travel, the speed of sound in air, in water, in solids. Sound produced by vibrations of objects, in loud speakers, detected by their effects on microphone diaphragm and the ear drum; sound waves are longitudinal. Auditory range of humans and animals. Pressure waves transferring energy; use for cleaning and physiotherapy by ultra-sound. Waves transferring information for conversion to electrical signals by microphone.

Electricity		
Early Learning Goal	 Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and talk about changes. 	
Year 1	This theme is not taught in this year	
Year 2	This theme is not taught in this year	
Year 3	This theme is not taught in this year	

Year 4	 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.
Year 5	This theme is not taught in this year
Year 6	 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.
KS3	 Electric current, measured in amperes, in circuits, series and parallel circuits, currents add where branches meet and current as flow of charge.
	 Potential difference, measured in volts, battery and bulb ratings; resistance, measured in ohms, as the ratio of potential difference (p.d.) to current.
	 Differences in resistance between conducting and insulating components (quantitative). Static electricity.

Earth and Space		
Early Learning Goal	 Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and talk about changes. 	
Year 1	 Observe changes across the four seasons. (Y1 - Seasonal changes) Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies. (Y1 - Seasonal changes) 	
Year 2	This theme is not taught in this year	
Year 3	This theme is not taught in this year	
Year 4	This theme is not taught in this year	
Year 5	 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. 	
Year 6	This theme is not taught in this year	
KS3	 Gravity force, weight = mass x gravitational field strength (g), on Earth g=10 N/kg, different on other planets and stars; gravity forces between Earth and Moon, and between Earth and Sun (qualitative only). Our Sun as a star, other stars in our galaxy, other galaxies. The seasons and the Earth's tilt, day length at different times of year, in different hemispheres. 	
	The light year as a unit of astronomical distance.	





