# Subject Knowledge Plan – Science



This plan details the knowledge to be acquired over the key stages. Reception children will access information, experiences and make links through their continuous provision. Year 1 children will focus on acquiring basic skills and knowledge. Year 2 children will continue with progression of basic skills and be supported to recall knowledge and make conceptual links.



#### National Curriculum Objectives: (Bold objectives for Y2)

#### Plants in KS1

- 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 grown into mature plants
- Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.

#### Animals, including humans in KS1

- 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 animas (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds, 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.
- 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

### Everyday materials in KS1

- 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
- 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

# Seasonal Changes in Year 1:

- Observe changes across the four seasons
- Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies.

# Living things and their habitats in 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 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.

Autumn 1 Transition 2 weeks & Farms 5 weeks	Spring 1 Knights & Castles 6 weeks	Summer 1 The Sea 6 weeks
NC Objective Coverage:	NC Objective Coverage:	NC Objective Coverage:
Y1- Seasonal Changes Observe changes across the four seasons	Y1- Animals Including Humans Identify and name a variety of common animals including fish,	Y1- Materials
Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons	amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals.	Identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including
and how day length varies.	Identify and name a variety of common animals that are	wood, plastic, glass, metal, water and rock Describe the simple physical properties of a variety of
and now day length valles.	carnivores, herbivores and omnivores	everyday materials
Y2 – Living Things and their Habitats	Describe and compare the structure of a variety of common	Compare and group together a variety of everyday
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Identify that most living things live in habitats to which they	ldentify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human	Y2 – Plants
are suited and describe how different habitats provide for	body and say which part of the body is associated with each	Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grown into
the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants, and	sense.	mature plants
how they depend on each other		Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a
Identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their	Y2 – Animals including Humans	suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.
habitats, including micro-habitats	Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which	
Describe how animals obtain their food from plants and	grow into adults	
other animals, using the idea of a simple food chain, and	Find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including	
identify and name different sources of food.	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	
Autumn 2	Spring 2	Summer 2
Fire Fire! 5 weeks & Christmas 2 weeks	Africa 6 weeks inc Easter	Journeys 6 weeks & Transition 2 weeks
NC Objective Coverage:	NC Objective Coverage:	NC Objective Coverage:
Y1- Animals Including Humans	Y1- Materials	Y1- Plants
Identify and name a variety of common animals including	Identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including	Identify and name a variety of common wild and garden
fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals.	wood, plastic, glass, metal, water and rock	plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees.
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carnivores, herbivores and omnivores	materials	common flowering plants, including trees.
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mammals, including pets)		Y2 – Plants
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human body and say which part of the body is associated	Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which	mature plants
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Transition 2 weeks & Farms 5 weeks	Knights & Castles 6 weeks	The Sea 6 weeks
Working Scientifically	Working Scientifically	Knowledge & Working Scientifically
EYFS	EYFS	EYFS
Y1 – Working Scientifically	Y1	Y1
Observe similarities and differences.	Ask questions	Use observations to classify
Predict colours in a leaf.	Venn diagrams	Record in a table
Can explain what winter feels like.	Make comparisons and give reasons.	Ask and answer questions
Labelled diagrams	Observe features of human body	Simple test
Evaluate test and suggest improvements	Carry out tests to compare and classify	Make predictions on best materials.
Ask simple questions	Make predictions using senses.	Evaluate test
Y2	Y2	
Ask questions	Identify animals and offspring	Y2
Draw basic conclusions	Communicate findings	Label parts of a plant
Record observations	Ask simple questions	Make observations on how a plant grows
Use tables and pictograms	Communicate findings about animals	Use a Venn diagram to sort and classify
Interpret results	Plan and carry out test	Identify plants using observations
Communicate findings	Sort food into groups and record	Make basic predictions
		Carry our simple tests
Scientific Enquiries	Scientific Enquiries	Scientific Enquiries
Y1	Y1	Y1
Identify 4 seasons	Identify parts of body.	Identify materials and classify
Look for patterns in colours.	Spot patterns between groups of animals	Classify based on how they feel.
Observe formation of crystals over time.	Identify and classify animals	Classify materials
Compare results to research on rain.	Comparative tests	Compare suitability of materials
Simple comparative test.		Patterns in test results
Identify different clouds.	Y2	
	Look for patterns in animals	Y2
¥2	Observe lifecycle over time	Identify and classify parts of a plant
Y2	,	raenary and elaberry parts of a plant
YZ Identify and classify objects	Research facts about animals	Observe over time how plants grow
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Autumn 2	Spring 2	Summer 2
Fire Fire! 5 weeks & Christmas 2 weeks	Africa 6 weeks inc Easter	Journeys 6 weeks & Transition 2 weeks
Knowledge & Working Scientifically	Knowledge & Working Scientifically	Knowledge & Working Scientifically
Y1	Y1	Y1
Ask questions	Use observations to classify	Make careful observations.
Venn diagrams	Record in a table	I can explain how a seed grows.
Make comparisons and give reasons.	Ask and answer questions	Draw and label a plant
Observe features of human body	Simple test	Label parts of a plant
Carry out tests to compare and classify	Make predictions on best materials.	Ask yes and no questions to classify.
Make predictions using senses.	Evaluate test	Make simple predictions
		Y2
Y2	Y2	Communicate clearly how plants grow
Identify and classify materials.	Use art to represent food groups	Ask questions to investigate
Labelled diagrams	Make simple predictions	Evaluate test
Draw basic conclusions	Communicate using simple models	Observe plants in different climates
Carry out simple comparative tests.	Evaluate test	Record results/accurate measurements
Predicting best material	Answer questions using scientific knowledge	Evaluate learning
Evaluate findings of tests		
Scientific Enquiries	Scientific Enquiries	Scientific Enquiries
Y1	Y1	Y1
Identify parts of body.	Identify materials and classify	Find out how different fruits grow.
Spot patterns between groups of animals	Classify based on how they feel.	Observe seeds over time.
Identify and classify animals	Classify materials	Identify plants in the environment.
Comparative tests	Compare suitability of materials	Identify and classify parts of a plant.
Y2	Patterns in test results	Identify and classify leaves.
Compare and group materials.		Observe leaves over time.
Identify materials	Y2	Y2
Use research for understanding.	Identify and classify foods	Record observations over time
Comparative tests.	Look for patterns in how germs grow	Look for patterns in my tests
Notice patterns between materials.	Use research	Look for patterns
Comparative test.	Observe over time	Use research
	Revise, research and recall	Look for patterns
		Recap key concepts

#### **Continuous Provision:**

Have resources available for children to photograph, draw, document somehow the world around them and then generate a discussion around this.

Have flower beds accessible for children to observe, interact with and regularly plant and grow a variety of seeds bulbs and plants. Include indoor plants and planting, e.g. in Autumn 2, plant bulbs in pots for spring flowering.

Provide regular access to animals in the classrooms and encourage observation over time, e.g. create wormeries, grow butterflies from eggs, chicks in incubators, fish in a tank, garden snails in a vivarium.

Allow children access to the outdoor area so they can investigate their surroundings further.