

Coddington C of E Primary and Nursery School

Science Progression Document

Key Areas	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
			Working S	cientifically			
Observation over time	Know that observation is a key skill of a scientist. Know that comparisons can be made through observation.	Know that changes can be recorded through observation. Know that observations can be made using simple equipment.	Know that equipment can be selected to observe change over time. Know that observations can be measured.	Know that observations need to be careful and systematic. Know that measurements can be taken using a range of equipment. Know that a range of bar charts, tables and pictograms are used to show measurements.	Know that choices can be made on what to observe and how to measure it. Know that standard units of time in minutes and seconds can be used when accurately observing.	Know that repeated and precise recordings must be taken. Know that data can be gathered, recorded, classified and presented in a variety of ways which include scientific diagrams and labels, keys, graphs and tables.	Know that observations require: identifying the measurements required, selecting the equipment needed and taking precise readings. Know that the correct units must be used when measuring accurately and precisely. Know that the interval and range can be taken from a set of observations.

Comparative and fair testing	Know that we can investigate different areas of science practically. Know that objects, materials and living things can be explored scientifically.	Know that simple tests can be carried out with support. Know that predictions can be made.	Know that simple tests can be carried out independently. Know that explanations can be made based on what has happened during an investigation.	Know that comparative tests can be carried out. Know that an investigation includes simple, practical enquiries.	Know that fair tests can be carried out. Know that there is more than one variable factor.	Know that results can lead to further prediction and the design of further comparative tests. Know that some variables need to be controlled. Know that methods can be improved.	Know that there are explanations behind needing to control variables. Know that there are reasons for improving methods.
Identifying and classifying	Know that living and non-living things can be classified.	Know that living and non-living things can be classified and compared.	Know that living and non-living things can be classified and compared through methods of sorting and grouping.	Know that identified criteria will determine how living and non-living things are classified. Know that keys can be used when grouping, sorting and classifying.	Know that scientific ideas and processes determine how living and non-living things are classified and sorted.	Know that detailed classification models can be used to sort living and non-living things.	Know that own classification methods can be chosen and developed in order to sort living and non-living things.
Pattern Seeking	Know that patterns exist within scientific phenomena.	Know that patterns can be identified within scientific phenomena.	Know that relationships can be identified within scientific phenomena.	Know that patterns can be naturally occurring. Know that conclusions can be formed based on findings.	Know that patterns can be identified in results. Know that patterns can be identified through data collection.	Know that causal relationships can be identified. Know that data can be interpreted to find patterns.	Know that patterns can be found in the natural environment. Know that evidence can support / refute causal relationships.
Research using secondary	Know that questions can be asked to find answers.	Know that simple secondary sources can be used to find	Know that questions can be researched to find answers.	Know that questions can be researched to find	Know that answers to questions using secondary sources	Know that research can be presented in different formats.	Know that research can be presented using different

sources		answers.		answers using secondary sources.	can be reported in different ways.		formats, selecting the best format for the information being shared.
			Bio	logy			
Plants	Know that plants grow and are usually green. Know that we use plants for food. Know that plants change as they grow.	Know that plants can grow in different places. Know that there are deciduous and evergreen trees Know that flowering plants and trees have a basic structure.	Know that plants grow from seeds and bulbs. Know that plants grow and mature. Know that plants need water, light and suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.	Know that different parts of plants have different functions. Know that the requirements for life vary from plant to plant. Know that water is transported within plants. Know that plants have a life cycle. Know that pollination, seed dispersal and seed formation play a role in the life cycle.			
Animals including humans	Know that changes occur when animals grow.	Know that there are a variety of different common animals and there are differences between	Know that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults.	Know that animals, including humans, need the right types and amount of nutrition and	Know that the basic parts of the human digestive system have specific functions.	Know that there are changes in humans as they get to old age.	Know that the main parts of the human circulatory system each have a specific function.

		them. Know that there are basic parts of the human body. Know that there are differences between carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.	Know that humans and animals have basic needs for survival. Know that exercise is important for humans. Know that hygiene is important for humans. Know that eating the right amounts of different types of foods is important.	cannot make their own food. Know that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement.	Know that there are different types of teeth in humans and their different functions. Know that there is a difference between producers, prey and predators which can be shown in a food chain.		Know that diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle all have an impact on the way bodies function. Know that nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans.
Living things and their habitats (EYFS, Year 2, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6) Seasonal Changes (EYFS and Year 1) Evolution and inheritance (Year 6 only)	Know that living things have similarities and differences. Know that the features of their own immediate environment might vary from one another.	Know that the weather and environment changes across the four seasons. Know that day length varies.	Know that something that is living, dead or never been alive has different characteristics. Know that different habitats provide for different needs including microhabitats. Know that animals and plants depend on each other. Know that animals obtain their food from plants and		Know that living things can be grouped into a variety of ways. Know that classification keys can be used to identify living things. Know that environmental change can pose a danger to living things.	Know that life cycles are different between mammals, amphibians, insects and birds. Know that reproduction is a life process in plants and animals.	Know that living things can be classified into broad groups including microorganisms, plants and animals using characteristics. Know that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the earth millions of years ago. Know that living things produce offspring of the same kind but they

			other animals. Know that a food chain can show about different sources of food. Chen	nistry			are not identical to their parents. Know that animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment. Know that adaptation may lead to evolution.
Use of everyday Materials (Properties and changes - States of Matter) Rocks (Year 3 only)	Know that there are similarities and differences in relation to materials and objects. Know that some solids melt. Know that some liquids freeze. Know that some othings feel warm and others feel cold.	Know that there is a difference between an object and the material from which it is made like wool and jumpers. Know that there are a variety of different everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water and rock. Know that everyday materials have varied physical properties and can be grouped using these	Know that some materials including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard are more suitable for a specific task than others. Know that the shape of solid objects from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.	Know that there are different kinds of rocks that can be grouped based on their appearance and physical properties. Know that fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock. Know that soils are made from rocks and organic matter.	Know that objects can be described by their states of matter - solids, liquids and gases. Know that some materials change state when they are heated or cooled. Know that temperature can be measured in Degrees Celsius. Know that evaporation and condensation are part of the water cycle.	Know that everyday materials can be grouped together based on their properties (hardness, solubility, transparency, conductivity (electrical and thermal) and response to magnets). Know that, using knowledge of solids, liquids and gases, those mixtures might be separated by filtering, sieving or evaporating. Know that there are	

	Phy	rsics		particular uses of everyday materials including metals, woods and plastics. Know that there are reversible changes. Know that there are irreversible changes.	
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Light (Year 3 and 6)		Know that light is needed in order to see things.	Know that sounds are made by vibrations.		Know that light appears to travel in straight lines.
Sound (Year 4 only)		Know that dark is the absence of light. Know that light from the sun can be dangerous and that eyes need protection. Know that objects can be described as opaque, translucent and transparent. Know that shadows are formed when light is blocked by an opaque object.	Know that vibrations from sounds travel through a medium to the ear. Know that there are patterns between the pitch of a sound and features of the object that produced it. Know that there are patterns between the volume of a sound and strength of the vibrations of the object that produced it.		Know that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light. Know that we see because light travels from light sources, to objects to our eyes. Know that shadows have a similar shape to the objects that cast them.

			Know that shadows can change in size and spot patterns related to this.	Know that sounds get fainter as the distance from the sound source increases.		
Forces and Magnets	Know that distance and speed can be related. Know that they can change the speed of an object.		Know that things move differently on different surfaces. Know that some forces need contact between two objects. Know that magnetic forces can act at a distance. Know that magnets attract and repel each other. Know that magnets attract some materials and not others. Know that magnets have two poles. Know that magnets will attract or repel each other.		Know that unsupported objects fall to Earth because of gravity. Know that air resistance, water resistance and friction will affect how objects move between surfaces. Know that mechanisms including levels, pulleys and gears allow a smaller force to have a larger effect.	
Electricity (Year 4 and 6				Know that common appliances rely on electricity.		Know that the brightness of a bulb or loudness of a

only)			Know that there are basic parts of a series circuit including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers. Know that there are reasons that a lamp will or will not light in a series circuit. Know that a switch opens and closes a circuit. Know that some materials are conductors or insulators.		buzzer is associated with the voltage in the circuit. Know that there are variations in how components function. Know that symbols are used when representing a simple circuit in a diagram.
Earth and Space	Know that there is a sun and moon. Know that we live on earth.			Know that the movements of the Earth and other planets are relative to the sun in the solar system. Know that the movement of the moon is relative to the Earth. Know that the sun, moon and Earth are approximately spherical bodies.	

Know that the Earth's rotation creates day and night and the apparent movement of the sun across the sky.
