

Gaddesby Primary School

Science Curriculum

2022 - 2023



Science			
EYFS	Year 1 and 2	Year 3 and 4	Year 5 and 6
Working Scientifically	Working Scientifically	Working Scientifically	Working Scientifically
Ask simple questions about how things work (C&L) Begin to compare and sort (UTW)	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. Communicate his/her ideas, what he/she does and what he/she finds out in a variety of ways. Perform simple comparative tests. Identify, group and classify. Use 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.	Ask relevant questions and use different types of scientific enquiries to answer them. Set up simple practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests. Make systematic and careful observations and, where appropriate, take accurate measurements using standard units, using a range of equipment, including thermometers and data loggers. Gather, record, classify and present data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions. Record findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables. Report on findings from enquiries, including oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and conclusions. Use results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further questions. Identify differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes. Use straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or to support his/her findings.	 Plan different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary. Take measurements, using a range of scientific equipment, with increasing accuracy and precision, taking repeat readings when appropriate. Record data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs. Use test results to make predictions to set up further comparative and fair tests. 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. Identify scientific evidence that has been used to support or refute ideas or arguments. Describe and evaluate their own and other people's scientific ideas related to topics in the national curriculum (including ideas that have changed over time), using evidence from a range of sources. Group and classify things and recognise patterns Find things out using a wide range of secondary sources of information. Use appropriate scientific language and ideas from the national curriculum to explain, evaluate and communicate his/her methods and findings.

Animals including	Animals including humans	Animals including humans	Animals including humans
humans			
Understand about the importance of healthy, highlighting the importance of different food groups (PSED) Talk about different factors that support health and well-being (brushing teeth, physical activity, sleep, talk) (PD)	Identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. Group animals according to what they eat 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). Understand that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults. 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.	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. Describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans. Identify that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement. 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.	Describe the changes as humans develop to old age. 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.
Living things and	Living things and their habitats	Living things and their habitats	Living things and their habitats
their habitats			
Explore human senses (C&L) Engage in non-fiction books (C&L) Explore the natural world around us (UTW)	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.	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 and have an impact on living things.	 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 micro-organisms, plants and animals. Give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics.

	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		
<u>Materials</u>	<u>Materials</u>		<u>Materials</u>
Talk about changes in materials for example dissolving, drying, evaporating (C&L) Describe what they see, hear and feel outside (UTW) Learn about changing states of matter (UTW)	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. Describe how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.		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. Recognise 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.
<u>Plants</u>	<u>Plants</u>	<u>Plants</u>	
Talk about trees and fauna in our school setting (UTW)	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 describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers. Explore and describe 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.	
	Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants.	Investigate the way in which water is transported within plants.	

	Describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy, and describe the impact of changing these.	Explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal.	
Seasonal Changes	Seasonal Changes		
Understand the effects of change in seasons (UTW)	Observe changes across the four seasons. Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies.		
		Forces and Magnets	Forces and Magnets
		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.	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.
		Electricity	Electricity
		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.	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.
		Light	Light

	Recognise that he/she needs light in order to see things	Recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines.
	and that dark is the absence of light.	
		Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain
	Notice that light is reflected from surfaces.	that objects are seen because they give out or reflect
		light into the eye.
	Recognise that light from the sun can be dangerous and	
	that there are ways to protect eyes.	Explain that we see things because light travels from light
		sources to our eyes or from light sources to objects and
	Recognise that shadows are formed when the light from	then to our eyes.
	a light source is blocked by a solid object.	
		Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain
	Find patterns in the way that the size of shadows	why shadows have the same shape as the objects that
	change.	cast them.
	Sound	
	Identify how sounds are made, associating some of	
	them with something vibrating.	
	them with something vibrating.	
	Recognise that vibrations from sounds travel through a	
	medium to the ear.	
	medium to the ear.	
	Find nattorns between the nitch of a sound and features	
	Find patterns between the pitch of a sound and features	
	of the object that produced it.	
	Find watterns between the values of a second and the	
	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.	
	States of matter	
	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.	
	Rocks	
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	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.	
		Evolution and Inheritance
		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.
		Earth and Space
		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.