Science progression of knowledge & key ideas - Cycle 1 Greater depth Cycle 1 - Blue Cycle 2 - Pink/purple

Highlighted areas of focus that have been taught at greater depth to inform for next year as part of a 2 year rolling plan. The areas of greater focus is alternated each year .

Everything is covered but be mindful of the National Curriculum requirements and your year groups also, when planning your areas.

| Ye ar | Autumn | Spring | Summer |
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| R | Focus on seasonal changes throughout the year All about me | Castles and Characters | Colour |
| | Houses and homes | Dinosaurs | Animals |
| 1 | Set up longtitudinal study Ongoing seasonal changes to focus on in Autumn, Spring & Summer terms. Observe changes across the four seasons Observe and describe weather associated With the seasons and how day length varies | Materials and their properties (KS1) TOYS •There are different materials | Growing plants (KS1) |
| | Animals: How animals survive (KS1) •There are many different animals with different characteristics •Animals need food to survive •Animals need a variety of food to help them grow, repair their bodies, be active and stay healthy. •Animals move in order to survive. | Materials have describable properties Different materials have different properties. Materials can be changed by physical force (twisting, bending, squashing and stretching) | Habitats and how the seasons affect them Some things are living, some were once living but now dead and some things have never lived There is variation between all living things Different animals and plants live in different places |

| | Different animals move in different ways to help them survive. •Exercise keeps animal's bodies in good condition and increases survival chances. •Animals have senses to help individuals survive. When animals sense things they are able to respond | Materials and their properties (KS1) BUILDINGS •There are different materials •Materials have describable properties •Different materials have different properties. •Materials can be changed by physical force (twisting, bending, squashing and stretching) | Living things are adapted to survive in different habitats. Environmental change can affect the plants and animals that live there Conclude longtitudinal study |
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| 2 | Set up longtitudinal study Materials and their properties (KS1) CLOTHES •There are different materials •Materials have describable properties | Plant reproduction (KS1) •Flowering plants make seeds to reproduce and make more plants. Some plants die after producing seeds and others live for many generations. | Pushes, pulls and their effects (Forces) Things can move in different ways. Pushing and pulling can make things move or stop. Pushing and pulling can change the shape of things. Pushing and pulling can make things move faster or slower. |
| | Different materials have different properties. Materials can be changed by physical force (twisting, bending, squashing and stretching) | How plants make their food (3&4) •Plants make their own food in their leaves to provide them with energy, grow, repair, and reproduce. •Leaves absorb sunlight and carbon dioxide | Bigger pushes and pulls have bigger effects. Pushing and pulling can make things move faster or slower. Not statutory in KS1 but have been advised to cover. Can link this with materials from Autumn term. |
| | Animals: Simple animal life time lines (KS1) All animals eventually die. Animals reproduce new animals when they reach maturity. Animals grow until they reach maturity and then don't grow any larger | through leaves. Plants have roots to provide support and to draw moisture from the soil, through stems to take water to the rest of the plant. The plant makes its food from water and carbon dioxide, using sunlight as energy, in the green parts of plants (mainly leaves) | Magnets and their effects 3&4) Magnets exert attractive forces on some materials. Magnets exert attractive and repulsive forces on each other. Magnets exert non-contact forces, which work through some materials. Magnetic forces are affected by the magnets strength. |

| | | | Magnetic forces are affected by the mass of the object being attracted. Magnetic forces are affected by the distance between magnet and object Conclude longtitudinal study |
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| 3 / 4 | Set up longtitudinal study Light (3&4) There must be light for us to see. Without light it is dark. Light comes from a source. We need light to see things even shiny things. Transparent materials let light through them and opaque materials don't let light through. Beams of light bounce off some materials (reflection). Shiny materials reflect light beams better than non-shiny materials Electrical circuits (3&4) | Solids, liquids and gases (3&4) • Materials can be divided into solids, liquids and gases. • Solids, liquids and gases are described by observable properties • Heating causes solids to melt into liquids and liquids to evaporate to gases • Cooling causes gases to condense to liquids and liquids to freeze to solids • The temperatures at which given substances change state are always the same. Solutions (3&4) Mixtures and separating them • Materials change state by heating and cooling. | Animals; Skeletons and movement (3&4) Many animals have skeletons to support their bodies and protect vital organs. Muscles are connected to bones and move them when they contract. Movable joints connect bones Feeding relationships and the environment (3&4) Living things can be divided into groups based upon their characteristics. Explore and use classification keys to help group. Different food chains occur in different habitats. Environmental change affects different habitats differently. Human activity significantly affects the environment. |

| Electricity powers many common appliances A source of electricity (mains or battery) is needed for electrical devices to work. Electricity sources push electricity round a circuit. A complete circuit is needed for electricity to flow and devices to work. More batteries will push the electricity round the circuit faster. Devices work harder when more electricity goes through them Some materials allow electricity to flow easily and these are called conductors. Materials that don't allow electricity to flow easily are called insulators. | Some changes can be reversed and some can't. When two or more substances are mixed and remain present the mixture can be separated. Rocks and soils (added) (3) Comparing and grouping different kinds of rocks on basis of their appearance and simple physical properties Describe in simple terms how fossils are formed Recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter | Different organisms are affected differently by environmental change. Digestive system and teeth (added) How plants reproduce (3&4) Flowering plants have evolved specific parts to carry out pollination, fertilisation and seed growth. Seed dispersal improves chances of enough seeds germinating and growing to mature plants and reproducing. Seeds and bulbs need the right conditions to germinate. They contain a food store for the first stages of growth (i.e. until the plant is able to produce its own food) Conclude longtitudinal study |
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| 5 / 6 | Making new substances (5&6) •All matter (including gases) has mass. •Heating can sometimes cause materials to change permanently. When this happens, a new substance is made. These changes are not reversible. •Sometimes mixed substances react to make a new substance. These changes are usually irreversible Earth and space | Animals: Respiration (5&6) Oxygen is breathed into the lungs where it is absorbed by the blood. The heart pumps blood around the body. Muscles need oxygen to release the energy from food to do work: Oxygen is taken into the blood in the lungs, the heart pumps blood through blood vessels to the muscles, the muscles take the oxygen and nutrients from the blood | Light and how we see. ((5&6) Light travels in straight lines. Light reflects of all objects (unless they are black). Non-shiny surfaces scatter the light so we don't see a single beam. Animals see light sources when light travels from the source into their eyes. Animals see objects when light is reflected off that object and enters their eyes. |
| | Stars, planets and moons have so much mass they attract other things, including each other due to a force called gravity. Gravity works over a distance. Stars produce vast amounts of heat and light. All other objects are lumps of rock, metal or ice and can be seen because they reflect the light of stars. Objects with larger masses exert bigger gravitational forces Objects like planets, moons and stars | Evolution and natural selection (5&6) Fossils provide evidence that Living things have changed over time. Environmental change can affect how well an organism is suited to its environment. Over time the characteristics that are most suited to the environment become increasingly common. | How sound is made, travels and can be changed (5&6) • Sound travel can be blocked. • Sound spreads out as it travels. • Changing the shape, size and material of an object will change the sound it produces. • Sound is produced when an object vibrates. • Changing the way an object vibrates changes it's sound. • Sound moves through all materials by making them |
| | Smaller mass objects like planets orbit large mass objects like stars Controlling electrical circuits (5&6) Batteries are a store of energy. This energy pushes electricity round the circuit. | Life cycles (5&6) • Different types of organism have different life cycles. • Life cycles have evolved to help organisms survive to adulthood. | Bigger vibrations produce louder sounds and smaller vibrations produce quieter sounds. Faster vibrations (higher frequencies) produce higher pitched sounds. |
| | pushing. Voltage measures the 'push'. | added-(4) Describe simple functions of parts of human digestive system | Forces that oppose motion (5&6) |

| urrent is how much electricity is flowing | Identify types of teeth in humans and | Air resistance and water resistance are forces again |
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| und a circuit. | their function | motion caused by objects having to move air and wa |
| The greater the current flowing | | out of the way. |
| through the device the harder it | Sexual and asexual reproduction | Friction is a force against motion caused by two |
| works | Some organisms reproduce sexually | surfaces rubbing against each other |
| When current flows through wires, | where offspring inherit information from | Some objects require large forces to make them |
| heat is released. The greater the | both parents | move; gears, pulley and levers can reduce the force |
| current the more heat is released. | Some organisms reproduce asexually by making | needed to make things move. |
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