



Science Medium Term Plans



Comparative & fair testing:

- children identify the effect of changing one variable on another whilst attempting to keep other variables constant.
- , children need to decide how they will measure/ observe the effects and choose a suitable way to collect the data, but have control over all of the other variables to ensure a fair test

Identifying, classifying & grouping:

- children identify features or tests that help them distinguish between different things
- enables children to learn the names of things, their characteristics, similarities and differences
- enables things to be grouped by observable features

Observing over time:

- . identify, observe or measure changes over time
- can take place over a span of time from minutes and hours to weeks and months
- enables children to identify a pattern that may emerge from observations
- . facilitates making predictions based on these observations
- . may involve understanding natural sequences and cycles

Pattern seeking:

- . children observe, measure and record events, systems or phenomena
- variables cannot be controlled
- survey or collect data from secondary sources
- identify relationships or patterns in observations or measurements
- . can involve learning about causal relationships/cause and effect

Research using secondary sources:

- . children use secondary sources of evidence
- often used when the question raised is impossible or unsafe for children to answer first hand
- enables children to compare and evaluate the information they gather from a range of sources
- enables children to see that questions don't always have definite answers

		Year 1: Sea	asonal Changes:			
National Curriculum:	1	Knowledge:			Key Questions:	
Observe changes across the four seasons. Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies	wind direction a cloud, snow andDaylight is whe amount of dayli	cludes the temperature outside, and strength, as well as rain,	 Do countries wi How does rainfa What do you no Why do you thin What colours ca What effect doe 	th higher te all and temp stice about of nk leaves to an we find of ss rain have	the ground to dry after it has emperatures have less rain perature change over time different leaves? urn brown in autumn? outside? Does this change on the environment? re was too much or not end	? in our school grounds? across the seasons?
 Previous learning Developing and understanding o change. Observe and explain why certain things may occur (e.g leaves fall off trees, weather changes). Look closely at similarities, differences, patterns and change. Comments and questions about t place they live or the natural work 	 •Notice that lig •Recognise that •Recognise that •Recognise that •Recognise that •Describe the notation •Describe the notation<	ning that they need light in order to see things and that dark is the absence of light. at light is reflected from surfaces. e that light from the sun can be dangerous and that there are ways to protect their eyes. e that shadows are formed when the light from a light source is blocked by an opaque and patterns in the way that the size of shadows change. Space in Y5 he movement of the Earth, and other planets, relative to the Sun in the solar system. the movement of the Moon relative to the Earth. the Sun, Earth and Moon as approximately spherical bodies. dea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night and the apparent movement of the sun across the sky.			s the sky.	
Big Question:		Key	Vocab:			Key Scientists:
What is it like in spring, summer, autumn and winter? autumn, changes, day length, spring, summer, Sun, sunny, twinter				-		
			ientifically Ideas:		Pairton	50
	How would you ident world have the weath		es a tree change ? year? same		es the wind always erent types of weather	blow the Which countries in the to us?
Comm	on Misconceptions:	•			Texts:	

•	it always snows in winter	it is always sunny in the summer •
	there are only flowers in sp	ring and summer

• it rains most in the winter.

Tree: Seasons Come, Seasons Go (Patricia Hegarty and Britta Teckentrup) **After the Storm** (Nick Butterworth)

	Year 1: Materials		
National Curriculum:	Knowledge:		Key Questions:
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 & group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties.	 There are many different materials that have different describable and measurable properties. Materials that have similar properties are grouped into metals, rocks, fabrics, wood, plastic, ceramics and glass. The properties of a material determine whether they are suitable for a purpose. 	 each topic e.g. bicouple of classes depth of experient When is a was Are all meta Is glass only Is all glass to the second seco	wooden spoon more suitable than a plastic spoon? Is the same? Wused for windows?
 Children should be able In Y to ask questions about the place they live. Talk card about why things happen twiss and how things work. In Y Discuss the things they Com have observed such as whe natural and found objects. and Manipulate materials to In Y achieve a planned effect. Com subset filte materials 	ing and stretching. ear 4 Pupils will be taught to: pare and group materials together, according to whether in they are heated or cooled, and measure or research the condensation in the water cycle and associate the rate of ear 5 pupils will be taught to: pare and group together everyday materials on the basis uctivity and response to magnets. Know that some mate tance from a solution. use knowledge of solids, liquids ing, sieving and evaporating. give reasons, based on ev- rials, including metals, wood and plastic. demonstrate	er they are solids, er they are solids, e temperature at v f evaporation wit is of their properti erials will dissolv and gases to deci- vidence from com that dissolving, m and that this kind	from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, liquids or gases. Observe that some materials change state which this happens. Identify the part played by evaporation h temperature.
Big Question:	Key Vocab:		Key Scientists:

What are the things I have used in my are they the best choice for the job?	or the job?		paque, plastic, properties, rock, rough, shiny, smooth, soft,		Charles Mackintosh (Chemist & Inventor) Ole Kirk Christiansen (Inventor)	
Working Scientifically Ideas:						
Which materials are the most flexible? Which materials are the most absorbent?	We need to choose a mater an umbrella. Which materi waterproof? Which materials are m	als are	What happens to materials over time i we bury them in the ground? What happens to ice over time?		ttern in the types of tt are used to make objects	How is glass made? What happens to our recycling?
	Common Misconcep	otions:		Texts:		
 only fabrics are materials only building materials are only writing materials are the word 'rock' describes 'solid' is another word for 	re materials e materials s an object rather than a	material			The Great P (Oliver J Who Sank (Pamela	the Boat

		Year 1: Plants		
National Curriculum:		Knowledge:		Key Questions:
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.	 Plants nee We can ea Garden pl their garde Weeds are don't wan A wild pla 	e wild plants that grow in places people	 Do all plants n Are all plants g Why do seeds Can plants gro What is the big 	s need to grow? eed water?
 Previous learning Develop an understanding of growth. •Shows care and concern for living things and the environment. •Make observations of plants and explain why some things occur, and talk about changes. •Can talk about some of the things they have observed, such as plants. 		ent. hy some things occur, and talk about	 Next learning In Year 2 pupils will be taught to: Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs mature into plants. Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow. In Year 3 pupils will be taught to: 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 and how they vary from plant to plant. Investigate the way in which wa is transported within plants. Explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal. 	
Big Question:		Key Vocab:		Key Scientists:
How many types of plants are there?	blossom, branch, bud, bulb, deciduous, ev		0	Beatrix Potter (Botanist & Natural Scientist) John Ray (Naturalist)
		Working Scientifically Ide	eas:	•

Which type of compost grows the tallest sunflower? Which variety of potato grows best in our outdoor area?	How can we sort the leaves that we collected on our walk? What is this plant's name?	How does a daffodil bulb change over the year? How does my sunflower change each week?	 Do trees with bigger leaves lose their leaves first in autumn? Is there a pattern in where we find moss growing in the school grounds? 	What are the most common British plants and where can we find them? How did Beatrix Potter help our understanding of mushrooms and toadstools?		
	Common Misconceptions:		Texts:			
trees are not plantsall leaves are greenall stems are green	all leaves are green			Vild Flowers Voake) VE about TREES		
 a trunk is not a stem blossom is not a flower.			(Chris Butter Harry's Ha z (Ruth Pars	zelnut		

		Year 1: Animals Incl. Humans	
National Curriculum:		Knowledge:	Key Questions:
 Identify and name a variety of common animals includir 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 commanimals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals, including pets). Identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the hun and say which part of the body is associated with each set. 	non nan body	 There are many different animals with different characteristics. Animals have senses to help individuals survive; when animals sense things they are able to respond. Animals need food to survive but different animals have different diets. Animals need a variety of food to help them grow, repair their bodies, be active and stay healthy. 	 What do animals eat? Do all animals eat the same food? Which of our senses is the most accurate at identifying food? Do all animals hunt? Why are animals different colours and patterns?
 Previous learning Children should be able to identify different parts of their body. Have some understanding of healthy food and the need for variety in their diets. Be able to show care and concern for living things. Know the effects exercise has on their bodies. Have some understanding of growth and change. Can talk about things they have observed including animals. 	Notice t includin hygiene In Year Identify get nutri- moveme In Year Describ- their sin will be t Describ- In Year Identify Recogni	 2 pupils will be taught to: hat animals, including humans, have offspring which group humans, for survival. Describe the importance for hum. 3 pupils will be taught to: that animals, including humans, need the right types and ition from what they eat. Identify that humans and some ent. 4 pupils will be taught to: e the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive apple functions. Construct and interpret a variety of food taught to: e the changes as humans develop to old age. 6 pupils will be taught to: and name the main parts of the human circulatory system 	ow into adults. Find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, nans to exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and d amount of nutrition, and that they cannot make their own food; they other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and system in humans. Identify the different types of teeth in humans and chains, identifying producers, predators and prey. In Year 5 pupils m, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood. e way their bodies function. describe the ways in which nutrients and
Big Question:		Key Vocab:	Key Scientists:

What are animals like?	arm, ears, elbow, eyes, face, fingers, foot, hair, hand, head, hearing, human body, knee, leg, mouth, neck, nose, sense, shoulder, sight, smell, sound, taste, teeth, texture, thumb, toes, touch, amphibians, animals, birds, carnivores, fish, habitat, herbivore, mammals, omnivore, pets, reptiles	Jane Goodall (Primatologist) Joan Beauchamp Procter (Zoologist)
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		Working Scientifically Ideas:	·			
Is our sense of smell better when we can't see?	How can we organise all the zoo animals? What are the names for all the parts of our bodies? Which sense do I use for?	How does my height change over the year? How many animals can be found under a rock at different times of the year?	olde	you get better at smelling as you get er? bigger animals have bigger poo?	Do all animals have the same senses as humans? How do we look after animals?	
	Which sense do I use for? Common Misconceptions: only four-legged mammals, such as pets, are animals			Texts:		
 only four-legged mammals, su humans are not animals insects are not animals all 'bugs' or 'creepy crawlies', amphibians and reptiles are the 	ct group		(Mike Unwin a	Book of Garden Birds and Sarah Whittley) ail Trail h Brown)		
					perworm on & Axel Scheffler)	

	Year	2: Living Things and Their Hab	vitat	
National Curriculum:	K	Knowledge:		Key Questions:
 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 	but now dead and All living things of make babies, get energy from food Different animals places. Living thi different habitats. Environmental ch animals that live	and plants live in different ngs are adapted to survive in nange can affect plants and	 Which What are animals an Why a How a How a Which Why a 	 l animals eat the same thing? h animals hunt, and which animals are hunted? animals live in our school environment? • How nd plants 'adapted' to live in their habitats? do animals and plants like to live in different places? do seasons affect our animals and plants? h animals hibernate and why? do snails hibernate, but slugs don't? do habitats change over our school year?
 Previous learning Comments and questions about the place they live o world. Shows care and concern for living things and the en Can talk about things they have observed such as pl Notices features of objects in their environment. Comments and asks questions about their familiar w 	vironment. ants and animals.	 keys to help group, identifienvironment. Recognise to living things. In Year 5 pupils will be To describe the difference Describe the life process of In Year 6 pupils will be To describe how living th characteristics and based 	hings can be gro fy and name a hat environmer taught: es in the life cyc of reproduction taught: ings are classif on similarities a	ouped in a variety of ways. Explore and use classification variety of living things in their local and wider nts can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers cles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird. a in some plants and animals. Tied into broad groups according to common observable and differences, including microorganisms, plants and nts and animals based on specific characteristics.
Big Question:		Key Vocab:		Key Scientists:

Why do different animals live in different places? depend on, environment, food, food e		als, basic needs, characteristics, conditi environment, food, food chain, habitat ro-habitat, plants, provide, shelter, sour	t, healthy,	Rachel Carson (Marine Pollution) Liz Bonnin (Conservationist)		
			Working Scientifically Ideas:			
Which pets are the easiest to look after?How would you group these plants and animals based on what you would find them in?How does the school pond change over the period of a year?Is there the same level of light in the deciduous wood?How would you group these plants and animals based on what habitat you would find them in?How does the school pond change over the period of a year?			How does the school pond change over the period of a year?	What conditions do woodlice prefer to live in? How are the animals in India diff to the ones that we find in Britai		-
	Common Misconce	ptions:			Tex	ts:
 an animal's habitat is like plants and seeds are not a move fire is living arrows in a food chain me 	live as they cannot be s	seen to			The Gr i (Julia Dor Meerka (Emily G	naldson) t Mail
					No Place L (Jonathon	

	Year 2: Plants				
National Curriculum:	Knowledge:		Key Questions:		
 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. 	 Plants grow from seeds/bulbs. Plants need light, water and warmth to grow and survive. Flowers make seeds to make more plants (reproduce). Plants are important. We need plants to survive (to clean air, to eat). We can eat different parts of the plants (leaves, stems, roots, seeds, fruit). 	 Do all plant What is diff Do plants fl What are flo What happe How does 1 How does y 	oduce seeds, how could we find out? ts produce flowers and seeds? ferent between freshly cut and planted flowers? lower all year round? owers for? ens to a plant after it has produced seeds? ight affect plant growth? warmth affect plant growth? the life cycle of a blackberry look like?		
 Previous learning Children should know how to identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees They should be able to identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees. 	 the requirements of plants for life and growth and is transported within plants. Explore the part that f pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal. In Year 5 pupils will be taught: 	In Year 3 pupils will be taught to: 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 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.			
Big Question:	Key Vocab:		Key Scientists:		
What should I do to grow a healthy plant?	bulbs, environment, germination, grow, heal mature plants, reproduction, seeds, store of f survival, temperature, water		Captain Cook (Botanist) Agnes Arber (Botanist) Alan Titchmarsh (Botanist & Gardener)		
	Working Scientifically Ideas:		× / /		

Do cress seeds grow quicker inside or outside? What conditions are needed for a seed to grow?	Can we identify and group different seeds and bulbs?	What happens to my bean after I have planted it? How long does it take for a seed to grow?	Do bigger seeds grow into bigger plants?	How does a cactus survive in a desert with no water?	
	Common Misconceptions:		Тех	xts:	
 plants are not alive as they cannot be seen to move seeds are not alive all plants start out as seeds seeds and bulbs need sunlight to germinate. 			Jack and the Beanstalk (Richard Walker) Ten Seeds (Ruth Brown)		
			Tiny (Eric C		

Year 2: Animals Including Humans						
National Curriculum:	Knowledge:	Key Questions:				
 Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which growinto 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. 	 survive. Exercise and a good diet keeps animals' bodie condition and increases survival chances. Animals reproduce new animals when they reamaturity. Some animals give birth to live your some animals lay eggs. Animals grow until maturity and then don't grant larger. All animals eventually die. To stop illness and infection we need to maint healthy lifestyle and keep ourselves clean. 	 Do bigger animals live longer? Why are we all different heights? How and why do we grow and change? What do we 'want' and what do we 'need'? Why do we need to eat different types of food? Wo all babies look like their parents? 				
 Previous learning Should be able to name a variety of common animals including amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals Can name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivord 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 which part of the body is associated with each sense. 	Identify that animals, including humans, need the r nutrition, and that they cannot make their own food they eat. Identify that humans and some other anim for support, protection and movement. In Year 4 pupils will be taught to:	 d; they get nutrition from what hals have skeletons and muscles the digestive system in humans. their simple functions. Construct producers, predators and prey. e. e. culatory system, and describe the ognise the impact of diet, as function. Describe the ways in 				
Big Question:	Key Vocab:	Key Scientists:				

Do living things change or stay the same?		adult, air, animals, baby, basic needs, child, exercise, food, growth, humans, hygiene, maturity, nutrition, offspring, reproduction, survival, teenager, toddler, water, egg/chick/chicken, spawn/tadpole/frog, egg/caterpillar/pupa/butterfly, lamb/sheep			Florence Nightingale (Pioneer of modern nursing in GB) Steve Irwin (Wildlife expert)		
			Working Scientifically Ideas:				
Do bananas make us run faster?	Which offspring bel which animal?	ongs toHow does a tadpole/butterfly change over time? How much food and drink do I have over a week?Which age group o wash their hands the day?				What food do you need in a healthy diet and why?	
	Comme	on Misconce	ptions:				Texts:
 an animal's habitat is like its 'home' all animals that live in the sea are fish respiration is breathing breathing is respiration. 					(Garet	The Disgusting Sandwich h Edwards and Hannah Shaw) Tadpole's Promise anne Willis and Tony Ross)	

	Year 2: Materials						
National Curriculum:	Knowledge:	Key Questions:					
 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 shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching. Previous learning 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. 	 e.g. metal: coins, cans, cars, table legs. Different materials can be used for the same thing e.g. a spoon made from wood, metal, plastic. Suitability means having the right properties for a particular purpose. Next learning In Year 4 Pupils will be taught to: Compare and group materials together, according to v Observe that some materials change state when they a this happens in degrees Celsius (°C). Identify the part played by evaporation and condensate temperature. In Year 5 pupils will be taught to: Compare and group together everyday materials on the transparency, conductivity (electrical and thermal), an liquid to form a solution, and describe how to recover to decide how mixtures might be separated, including evidence from comparative and fair tests, for the parti demonstrate that dissolving, mixing and changes of st	 Which rocks are the least crumbly? Which materials absorb the most water? Which material would be the strongest to use as to make a roof on a model? How long do plastics last for? What types of bricks can you see in our village? Which material makes the bounciest ball? What are aeroplane wheels made out of and why? whether they are solids, liquids or gases. re heated or cooled, and measure or research the temperature at which ion in the water cycle and associate the rate of evaporation with de basis of their properties, including their hardness, solubility, a response to magnets. Know that some materials will dissolve in a substance from a solution. Use knowledge of solids, liquids and gases through filtering, sieving and evaporating. Give reasons, based on cular uses of everyday materials, including metals, wood and plastic. ate are reversible changes. Explain that some changes result in the ge is not usually reversible, including changes associated with burning					
Big Question:	Key Vocab:	Key Scientists:					

Would a house of cardboard be suitable for the Three Little Pigs?		bending, brick, cardboard, changed, glass, materials, metal, paper, plastic, properties, purpose, rock, shapes, squashing, stretching, suitability, suitable, twisting, unsuitable, uses, wood				
Working Scientifically Ideas:						
Are all objects made out of metal rigid?	of Can you group different types of paper and cardboard? How can we group the materials based on how they can be changed?		How do different types of paper/card change over time when they are buried in the ground?	How does water affect the strength of different types of paper or cardboard?		How is corrugated cardboard made?
	Common Misconcer	otions:			Text	ts:
 only fabrics are materials only building materials are materials only writing materials are materials the word rock describes an object rather than a material • solid is another word for hard. 			The Tin Forest (Helen Ward) Traction Man (Mini Grey)		Ward) 1 Man	
					Three Lit (Lesley	0

	Year 3: Plants						
National Curriculum:			Key Questions:				
 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. 	Plants are producers, they make Their leaves absorb sunlight and Plants have roots, which provide water from the soil. Flowering plants have specific at help it to carry out pollination, for seed production. Seed dispersal improves a plant' successful reproduction. Seeds/bulbs require the right con germinate and grow. Seeds contain enough food for th growth.	carbon dioxide. support and draw daptations which ertilisation and s chances of ditions to	 How do i Why do f What do Can a pla What con Where do How doe Do plants 	plants reproduce? nsects know which flowers to pollinate? flowers smell? seeds do? nut live without its leaves? nditions are perfect for a seed to grow? to weeds come from? s the space between seeds affect how well they grow? s take in water through their roots? s water move through the plant?			
 Children should know how to identify and name a vargarden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees They should be able to identify and describe the basic common flowering plants, including trees. Children should be taught to observe and describe how mature plants Find out and describe how plants need water, light and grow and stay healthy. 	s structure of a variety of w seeds and bulbs grow into	In Year 5 pup		ight: s of reproduction in some plants			
Big Question: Key		Vocab:		Key Scientists:			
Why do plants have flowers?	ing plants, flower le, light, nutrients tion, requirement	, nutrition,	Stephen Hales (Botanist) Anna Atkins (Botanist & Photographer)				
Working Scientifically Ideas:				1			

How does the length of the carnation stem affect how long it takes for the food colouring to dye the petals? Does the amount of fertiliser affect how a plant grows?	flowering plant?	What happens to celery when it is left in a glass of coloured water? How do flowers in a vase change over time?	What colour flowers do pollinating insects prefer?	What are all the different ways that seeds disperse? How is a cactus the same/different to a birch tree?

Common Mise	conceptions:	Texts:
 plants eat food food comes from the soil via the roots flowers are merely decorative rather than a plants only need sunlight to keep them warr roots suck in water which is then sucked up 	m	The Story of Frog Belly Rat Bone (Timothy Basil Ering) The Hidden Forest (Jeannie Baker)
	Year 3: Animals Including Humar	15
National Curriculum:	Knowledge:	Key Questions:
 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. 	 Different animals are adapted to eat different foods. To stay healthy, humans need to exercise, eat a healthy diet and be hygienic. Many animals have skeletons to protect vital organs inside the body, allow movement and support the body and stop it from falling on the floor. Muscles are connected to bones and move them when they contract. Movable joints connect bones. 	 Why do we need a skeleton? What types of skeletons are there? Are all skeletons the same? Can something survive without a skeleton? What happens if we break a bone? How do we move? Are bones that are bigger, stronger? Why do we need joints? Why do muscles get tired? Can we 'break' muscles?

 Should be able to 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. 			 Next learning In Year 4 pupils will be taught to: 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. In Year 5 pupils will be taught to: Describe the changes as humans develop to old age. In Year 6 pupils will be taught to: 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. 				
Big Question	:	Key Vocab:			Key Scientists:		
Why do animals have skeletons?efitfitWhat is a healthy diet and why is it important?n		amount, animals, body parts, carbohydrates, diet, eat, endoskeleton, exoskeleton, fats, fibre, food, food groups, functions, healthy, humans, invertebrates, joints, meals, minerals, movement, muscles, nutrition, protection, protein, skeletons, support, types, vertebrates, vitamins		od groups, s, meals, tion,	Marie Curie- Radiation Wilhelm Rontgen - X rays Adelle Davis -Nutritionist		
			Working Scientifically Ideas:				
How does the angle that your elbow/knee is bent affect the circumference of your upper arm/thigh? How does the skull circumference of a girl compare with that of a boy?	How do the skeletons of o animals compare? Can bones be grouped? H		How does our skeleton change over time (from birth to death)?	Do all animals [name of e.g. tibia?	hav bon	Hesearch	
Common Misconception				1		Texts:	

•	certain whole food groups like fats are 'bad' for you certain specific foods, like cheese are also 'bad' for you	Funnybones
•	diet and fruit drinks are 'good' for you	(Janet and Allan Ahlberg)
•	snakes are similar to worms, so they must also be invertebrates	

invertebrates have no form of skeleton.

I Will Never Not Ever Eat a Tomato (*Lauren Child*)

Year 3: Rocks							
National Curriculum:	Knowledge:		Key Questions:				
 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. 	 Some rocks are natural and some are h There are 3 types of naturally occurrin Soil is the uppermost layer of the earth up of different things. Different plants grow in different soils Fossils tell us what has happened befo evidence) and show that living things l over time. Fossils are most commonly found in se rock. • Palaeontologists use Fo out about the past. 	g rock. • W and is made • W • H4 • H4 • H4 • H4 • H4 • H4 • H4 • H4	How are the soils different? Which do you think has the best drainage? Which is more likely to lead to flooding? How many soil types have we found? How might the soil be different in different countries? What rock is best for a kitchen chopping board? What types of rocks are there? How do rocks change? What would grow best in your soil? Why do you think worms are important to the creation of soil? How can we use composting to make our own soil? How are fossils created? Why do fossils help us find out about historical events?				
Previous learning		Next learning					
•May have some understanding of a variety of differe	ent rocks in the natural world.	In Year 6 pupils	ls will be taught to:				
•Some understanding of what soil is. (how to identify	soil etc)	provide informat	living things have changed over time and that fossils ation about living things that inhabited the Earth				
•May have some knowledge of what a fossil is.		millions of years					
Big Question: Key Ve		cab:	Key Scientists:				
What are rocks and soils like?	appearance, buildings, crystals, for gravestones, organic matter, physics sedimentary rock, soils, trapped,	ical properties, rocks,	S,				

Working Scientifically Ideas:						
How does adding different amounts of sand to soil affect how quickly water drains through it? Which soil absorbs the most water?	Can you use the identification key to find out the name of each of the rocks in your collection?	How does tumbling change a rock over time? What happens when water keeps dripping on a sandcastle?	Is there a pattern in where we find volcanoes on planet Earth?	Who was Mary Anning and what did she discover?		
Common Misconceptions:			Text	ts:		

•	rocks are all hard in nature	The Pebble in My Pocket
•	rock-like, man-made substances such as concrete or brick are rocks	(Meredith Hooper)
•	materials which have been polished or shaped for use, such as a granite worktop, are not	
	rocks as they are no longer 'natural'	Stone Girl, Bone Girl
•	certain found artefacts, like old bits of pottery or coins, are fossils • a fossil is an actual	(Laurence Anholt)
	piece of the extinct animal or plant	The Grand Decord M. Fred
•	soil and compost are the same thing.	The Street Beneath My Feet
		(Charlotte Guillain & Yuval Zommer)

Year 3: Light

National Curriculum:	Knowledge:	Key Questions:
 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. 	 There must be light for us to see; without light it is dark. 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). Smooth, shiny materials reflect light beams better than bumpy, non-shiny materials. Light comes from a source. Reflective materials can be very useful e.g. cat's eyes, hi-vis jacket. 	 Paper? How does the shape of a mirror affect how the light reflects? How can we change the darkness size and shape of a shadow?

Previous learning	Next learning
•May have some knowledge of were light comes from.	In Year 6 pupils will be taught to:
•Will most likely have seen their shadows and may know they appear when it is sunny.	Recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines. Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye. Explain that we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to
•Some understanding of a reflection.	objects and then to our eyes. Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them.
•May understand they need light to be able to see things.	

Big Question:		Key Vocab:		Key Scientists:			
What is a shadow?		light, light source, mirror, opaque, patterns, protect,		Ibn al-Haytham "Alhazen" (Inventor) Justus Von Liebig (Mirrors)			
	Working Scientifically Ideas:						
How does the distance between the shadow puppet and the screen affect the size of the shadow? Which is the best material for a mirror?		Is the Sun the same brightness all day? How does my shadow change over a day/month/year?	Do all fabrics out a light source?	entrem sections block		Do cats eyes light up in the dark? Why can we see fireworks better at night?	
	Common Misconceptions:					Tex	ts:

 we can still see even where there our eyes 'get used to' the dark the moon and reflective surface a transparent object is a light so shadows contain details of the o shadows result from objects give 	es are light sourc ource object, such as fa		The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark (Jill Tomlinson) The Dark (Lemony Snicket) The Firework-Maker's Daughter (Philip Pullman)	
National Curriculum:		Knowledge:		Key Questions:
 Compare how things move on diffisurfaces. Notice that some forces need contative objects, but magnetic forces can act at a Observe how magnets attract or reother and attract some materials and not othe Compare and group together a varieveryday materials on the basis of whether attracted to a magnet, and identify some mamaterials. Describe magnets as having two points of the points of the points of the points will a repel each other, depending on which poles 	act between a distance. pel each iers. thr iety of they are genetic oles. attract or	Forces can be pushes or pulls. Friction is a force that acts between two rfaces or objects that are moving (or trying to move) ross each other. • Magnets exert attractive and pulsive forces on each other. Magnets exert non-contact forces, which work rough some materials. Magnets exert attractive forces on some aterials which are affected by magnet strength, object ass, distance from object and object material.	 Can I How material? How experienced? Is the How putting material 	t are magnetic materials? How can we find out? I make a magnetic material non-magnetic? far away does a magnet have to be before it attracts a magnetic far away can the magnetic attraction between two magnets be e repulsive force the same size? is the magnetic attraction of repulsion force affected by als between the magnets? bigger magnets stronger?
Previous learningMay have an awareness of how to make things stop and start.	the falling obj	ater resistanc	e force of gravity acting between the Earth and ce and friction, that act between moving surfaces. s, allow a smaller force to have a greater effect.	
Big Question:		Key Vocab:		Key Scientists:

How can we move magnets? materials, move, object		ttract, compass, contact, distance, forces, magnetic, naterials, move, objects, poles, properties, pull, push,		John McAdam (Civil Engineer & Road Builder) Isaac Newton (Physicist)		
			Working Scientifically Ideas:		•	
How do different surfaces affect the distance the car travels? Which magnet is strongest? Which magnet is strongest?			If we magnetise a pin, how long does it stay magnetised for?	work?	ts need to touch to ny materials	How have our ideas about forces changed over time? How does a compass work?
	Common Misconcep	otions:			Tex	ts:
• the bigger the magnet the all metals are magnetic.	stronger it is •				The Iro d (Ted Hi Mrs Armitage: Queen Blaa	of the Road (Quentin

	Year 4: Living Things and Their Habitat					
National Curriculum:	Knowledge:	Key Questions:				
 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 danger to living things. 	Living things can be divided into groups based upon their characteristics. Environmental change can positively or negatively affect a habitat; changes can be natural or caused by humans. Organisms are affected in different ways by environmental change. Conservationists work to help promote the protection of the environment.	 How does How does (keystone How does How does What are outside an How does 	d chains and webs are there in our local habitat? s energy move through the food chain? s removal of one species from an environment affect others? e species) s environmental change affect different organisms? the most important things we could do to improve our rea? (pond, compost, wildflowers, litter picking) s human activity affect our environment? (new house , use of pesticides, deforestation)			
 Previous learning Comments and questions about the place they live or the natural world. Shows care and concern for living things and the environment. 			ls will be taught:			
 Can talk about things they have observed such as plants and animals. Notices features of objects in their environment. Comments and asks questions about their familiar world. Explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead, and things that have never 			differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an nsect and a bird. Describe the life process of some plants and animals.			
 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. 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. 		To describe how to common obs differences, inc	Is will be taught: w living things are classified into broad groups according ervable characteristics and based on similarities and luding microorganisms, plants and animals. give reasons plants and animals based on specific characteristics.			
Big Question:	Key Vocab:		Key Scientists:			

Are living things in danger?		amphibians, birds, change, classification key, danger, deforestation, development, environment, fish, flowering, habitat, human impact, invertebrates, litter, living things, mammals, nature reserve, negative, nonflowering, population, positive, reptiles, vertebrate		Jacques Cousteau (Marine Biology) Cindy Looy (Environmental Change and Extinction)		
			Working Scientifically Ideas:			
Does the amount of light affect how many woodlice move around? How does the average temperature of the pond water change in each season?		animals	How does the variety of invertebrates on the school field change over the year?	affected the bee population? rainf		Why are people cutting down the rainforests and what effect does that have?
	Common Misconcept	tions:			Tez	xts:
 the death of one of the parts of a food chain or web has no or limited consequences on the rest of the chain there is always plenty of food for wild animals 				The Vanishir (Richar	ng Rainforest d Platt)	
 animals are only land-living creatures animals and plants can adapt to their habitats, however they change all changes to habitats are negative. 		change		The Morning (Michael I	I Met a Whale Morpurgo)	
	e negative.				•	he River Sea botson)

	Year 4: Animals Including Hu	umans		
National Curriculum:	Knowledge:		Key Questions:	
 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. 	The teeth of animals (including humans) are designed to eat different foods depending or diet of the animal. Food is broken down by the teeth and further the stomach and intestines where nutrients g into the blood; the blood takes nutrients arou the body. Nutrients produced by plants move to prima consumers then to secondary consumers through food chains; this flow of energy is shown on a food chain.	n the • Why do w • Do all or • Why do s runner) • Why are • What hap	ferent types of food are there? we need a variety of different foods? ganisms eat the same things? some people need different diets? (weightlifter vs marathon teeth important? opens to our food? our digestive system? so our food turn into faeces and urine?	
Previous learning •Should be able to notice that animals, in	cluding humans, have offspring	Next learning		
 which grow into adults. •Find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, in air). •Describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the second second		In Year 5 pupils w Describe the chang In Year 6 pupils w	ges as humans develop to old age.	
 Hygiene. Identify that animals, including humans, need the right typ cannot make their own food; they get nutrition from what the Identify that humans and some other animals have skeleton movement. 	ney eat.	describe the function impact of diet, exer	the main parts of the human circulatory system, and ons of the heart, blood vessels and blood. recognise the rcise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies the ways in which nutrients and water are transported cluding humans.	
Big Question:	Key Vocab:		Key Scientists:	

What do our bodies do with the food we eat?	canine, carnivore, consumers, damages, digestive system, food chain, functions, herbivore, humans, incisor, large intestine, molar, mouth, oesophagus, predators, premolar, prey, producers, small intestine, stomach, teeth, tongue	Ivan Pavlov (Digestive System Mechanisms)
		Joseph Lister (Discovered Antiseptics)

	Working Scientifically Ideas:					
than vegetarians? What are the names for all the organs involved in the digestive water?		How does an egg shell change when it is left in cola, milk, water, vinegar? What does this tell us about oral hygiene?	Are foods that are high in energy always high in sugar?	How do dentists broken fix teeth?		
	Common Misconceptions:		Text	ts:		
 arrows in a food chains mean 'eats' the death of one of the parts of a food chain or web has no, or limited, consequences on the rest of the chain there is always plenty of food for wild animals your stomach is where your belly button is food is digested only in the stomach when you have a meal, your food goes down one tube and your drink down another the food you eat becomes "poo" and the drink becomes "wee". 		our drink down another	Human Bod (Werner Ho Crocodiles Don't B (Colin F Woh (Emily G	olzwarth) rush Their Teeth Fancy) ves		
		Year 4: States of Matter				
National Curriculum:	National Curriculum: Knowledge:			stions:		

 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. 	 Materials can be divided into solids, liquids and gases. Some materials can change from one state to another and back again. Heating causes solids to melt into liquids and liquids evaporate into gases. Cooling causes gases to condense into liquids and liquids to freeze into solids. The temperature at which given substances change state are always the same. Condensation and evaporation occur within the water cycle. 	 Are all liquids the same? How does the material sprinkled on ice affect how quickly it melts? How does the type of chocolate affect its melting temperature?
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Previous learning		Next learning				
• Distinguish between an object and the material from	n which it is made.	In Year 5 pupils will be taught to:				
•Identify and name a variety of everyday materials, i glass, metal, water, and rock.	ncluding wood, plastic,	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				
•Describe the simple physical properties of a variety	of everyday materials.					
Compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of neir simple physical properties.		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,				
•Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of e including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paparticular uses.		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				
•Find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.		not usually reversible, including changes associated with burning and the action of acid on bicarbonate of soda.				
Big Question:	Key V	ocab:	Key Scientists:			

How can water change?		Celsius, esc heated, liqu	e, condensation, condense, cooled, deg cape, evaporation, everyday materials, ids, melt, pool, shape, solids, substanc e, water cycle	gases,	Daniel Gabriel Fahrenhe Antoine Lavoisier (Cher	· · ·			
Working Scientifically Ideas:									
How does the mass of a block of ice affect how long it takes to melt? Where is the best place to dry laundry?	Can you group these materia objects into solids, liquids, a How would you sort these objects/materials based on t temperature?	and gases?	Which material is best for keeping our hot chocolate warm? How does the level of water in a glass change when left on the windowsill?	different size does the evap	tern in how long it takes ed ice lollies to melt? How poration rate change as e salt to your water?	What are hurricanes, do they	Research secondary bourse	and why happen?	

Common Misc	onceptions:	Texts:			
 'solid' is another word for hard or opaque solids are hard and cannot break or change shi substances made of very small particles like s particles in liquids are further apart than in so 	ugar or sand cannot be solids	Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (Roald Dahl)			
 when air is pumped into balloons, they becom water in different forms – steam, water, ice – all liquids boil at the same temperature as water 	e lighter are all different substances er (100 degrees)	Once Upon a Raindrop: The Story of Water (James Carter)			
 melting, as a change of state, is the same as di steam is visible water vapour (only the conder 	nsing water droplets can be seen)	Sticks (Diane Alber)			
Year 4: Sound					
National Curriculum: Knowledge:		Key Questions:			

 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 strength of the stre		 Sound is a type of energy created by vibrations; the louder the sound, the bigger the vibration. Sound travels from its source in all directions and we hear it when it travels to our ears. Sound travel can be blocked. Changing the shape, size and material of an object will change the sound it produces. Sound moves through all materials by making them vibrate; changing the way an object vibrates changes it's sound. Bigger vibrations produce louder sounds and smaller vibrations produce quieter sounds. Faster vibrations (higher frequencies) produce higher pitched sounds. 		 How does the length of the tube (when making a straw oboe) affect the pitch and volume? Can you predict the relative pitch of tuning forks from the patterns of ripples they make in the 				lastic ume?
Previous learning	Nex	xt learning						
 May have some undersobjects make different source of the source	inds. at they use	t revisited until KS3						
Big Question	:	Key Vocab:	ł		ł	Key Scientists:		
How can we make different sounds?		distance, ear, fainter, features, high, instrumen insulation, loud, low, pitch, quiet, sound, soun strength, travel, vibrating, volume				gineer)		
		Working Scientifically	leas:	1				
How does the volume of a drum change as you move further away from it? How does the length of a guitar string affect the pitch of the sound? Which material is best to use muffling sound in ear defend Can you make a guitar that m 4 different sounds?		defenders? quietest?	the is in If th	n school here is a	nk between how loud it and the time of day? pattern, is it the same ea of the school?	Do all animals the same hearing	arch ng cei	have range?

Common Misconceptions:	Texts:
 sound is only heard by the listener sound only travels in one direction from the source sound can't travel through solids and liquids high sounds are load and low sounds are quiet. 	

	Year 4: Electricity						
National Curriculum:	Knowledge:	Key Questions:					
 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. 	 A source of electricity (mains of battery) is needed for electrical devices to work. Electricity sources push electricity round a circuit. More batteries will push the electricity round the circuit faster. A complete circuit is needed for electricity to flow and devices to work. Some materials allow electricity to flow easily and these are called conductors. Materials that don't allow electricity to flow easily are called insulators. 	 What would life be like without electricity? What sorts of things use/need electricity? In which ways can we 'get' electricity? (mains/plugs/batteries/wireless) How do we make electricity? How do batteries work? How quickly can batteries run out? Does this make a difference depending on the number of components? How does the number of batteries added to the circuit affect a device? What materials can carry electricity? (conductors/insulators) 					

Previous learning	Ν	Next learning						
 May have some understanding need electricity to work. May understand that a switch something on or off. 	will turn n r b s							
Big Question	:		Key Vocab:			Key Scientists:		
What can we do with electricity?		appliances, battery, brighter, bulb, buzzer, cell, components, conductor, device, electricity, insulator, lamp, loop, metals, motor, parts, series circuit, switch, wire			Hertha Ayrton (Engineer, Physicist & Inventor) Joseph Swan (Physicist, Chemist & Inventor)			
			Workin	g Scientificall	y Ideas:			
How does the thickness of a conducting material affect how bright the lamp is? Which metal is the best conductor of	How would you grue electrical devices be the electricity come	ased on where	How does a battery a torch		long light for?		om has the most sockets in a house?	How has electricity changed the way we live? How does a light bulb work?

metal is the best conductor of

electricity?

Common Misconceptions:	Texts:
 electricity flows to bulbs, not through them electricity flows out of both ends of a battery electricity works by simply coming out of one end of a battery into the component. 	Oscar and the Bird: A Book about Electricity (Geoff Waring) Electrical Wizard: How Nikola Tesla Lit Up the World (Elizabeth
	Rusch)

Year 5

	Year 5: Living Things and Their Habitats					
National Curriculum:	Knowledge:	Key Questions:				
 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. 	 Different animals mature at different rates and live to different ages. Some organisms reproduce sexually where offspring inherit information from both parents. Some organisms reproduce asexually by making a copy of a single parent. Environmental change can affect how well an organism is suited to its environment. Different types of organisms have different life cycles 	 Do all animal embryos look the same? Are all life cycles the same? Are there any patterns between vertebrate animals and their gestation periods? Do plants reproduce in the same ways as humans? How do plants spread their seeds? 				
Previous learning	Next learning					
 Comments and questions about the place they live Shows care and concern for living things and the e Can talk about things they have observed such as p Notices features of objects in their environment. Comments and asks questions about their familiar Explore and compare the differences between thing Identify that most living things live in habitats to v the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plato f plants and animals in their habitats, including mi Describe how animals obtain their food from plant and name different sources of food. Recognise that living things can be grouped in a va Explore and use classification keys to help group, tenvironment. 	animals based on specific characteristics. I name a variety chain, and identify					
Big Question:	Key Vocab:	Key Scientists:				

amphibians, animals, asexual, birds, bulb, changes differences, dispersal, fertilisation, gestation, habit life cycle, life process, mammals, parent plant, pla pollination, reproduction, root, seed, sexual, simila tuber Working Scientifically Ideas:				tts, insects, ts,		otanist) Broadcaster & Natural Historian)
Which seed shape takes the longest time to fall?	Can you create a class key for a group of pla		How does a flower bud change as it opens? How does an animal change over tim (e.g. hatching chicks)?		a relationship between a l's size and its gestation	What are the differences in the life cycles of an insect and a mammal?
	Common Misco	nceptions:			Tex	its:
 all plants start out as see all plants have flowers plants that grow from bu only birds lay eggs. 					Wha (Kelsey Life C DK and Sar	Oseid) Sycles

	Year 5: Animals Including Humans				
National Curriculum:	Knowledge:	Key Questions:			
 Describe the changes as humans develop to old age. Puberty is something we all go through, a process which prepares our bodies for being adults, and reproduction. Hormones control these changes; which can be physical and/or emotional. Humans reproduce sexually where offspring inherit information from both parents. The average length of gestation in humans is 280 days or 40 weeks. 			 What do humans look like at each stage? How and why do humans change? What causes puberty? What changes do we go through during puberty? How do the gestation periods of other animals compare to humans? 		
 Previous learning Should be able to 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 hyg Identify that animals, including humans, need the right types and amount of nutrition, and that they cannot n own food; they get nutrition from what they eat. Identify that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movem 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. 			system, and describe th vessels and blood. Rec drugs and lifestyle on t Describe the ways in w	e taught to: main parts of the human circulatory ne functions of the heart, blood ognise the impact of diet, exercise, he way their bodies function. which nutrients and water are nals, including humans.	
Big Question:	Key Vocab:			Key Scientists:	
adolescent, adult, animals, baby, changes, development How do humans change across their lifetime? How do humans change across their lifetime? puberty, teenager, timeline, toddler			Patrick Steptoe, I	vell (Doctor) Robert Edwards & Jean Purdy ysiologist & Embryologist)	
	Working Scientifically Ideas:				

How does age affect a human's reaction time? Who grows the fastest, girls or boys?	Can you identify all the stages in the human life cycle and put it on a timeline?		does the baby change time?	period?	What are the longest and shortest gestation periods in mammals? Why do people get grey/white hair when they get older?
	Common Misconceptions:			Te	xts:
 a baby grows in a mother's tummy a baby is "made". 			(Joseph Coelho a. Hair in Funny	World Were nd Allison Colpoys y Places Babette 'ole	

Year 5: Properties and Changes of Materials						
National Curriculum:	Knowledge:	Key Questions:				
 Compare and group together everyday materials on the basis of their properties, including their hardness, solubility, transparency, conducti (electrical and thermal), and response to magnets. Know that some materials will dissolve in liquid to form a solution, ar describe how to recover a substance from a solution. Use knowledge of solids, liquids and gases to decide how mixtures mi separated, including through filtering, sieving and evaporating. Give reasons, based on evidence from comparative and fair tests, for t particular uses of everyday materials, including metals, wood and plas Demonstrate that dissolving, mixing and changes of state are reversibl changes. Explain that some changes result in the formation of new materials, ar this kind of change is not usually reversible, including changes associa with burning and the action of acid on bicarbonate of soda. 	 substance. These changes are usually irreversible. Heating can sometimes cause materials to change permanently. When this happens, a new substance is made. These changes are not reversible. Indicators that something new has been made are: The properties of the material are different (colour, state, texture, hardness, smell, temperature). Reversible changes can be reversed by: sieving, filtering, evaporating. 	 How would we know if we have made a new material or the same material just mixed differently? Add baking powder to vinegar, it fizzes up. Has a new substance been made? (Yes the gas was not in the vinegar as it wasn't fizzy, so it must have been made). Use lemon juice as an invisible ink, heating gently makes the ink visible. Is this a new substance? When water is added to jelly and it is set, is it a new substance? 				
Previous learning To identify a variety of everyday materials including wood, plastic, glas metal, water and rock. To understand the physical properties of a variety of everyday materials (including those that are transparent) and to compare and group materia the basis of these properties How materials are suitably used based on their properties. How magnets and electrical circuits work. Some materials which are magnetic. To explain how shapes of solid objects can be changed by squashing, be twisting and stretching. To describe materials that are solids, liquids and gases and their particle structure. To explain that some materials change state when they are heated or coefficient to the temperature at which this happens. To describe the roles of melting, evaporation and condensation in the water cycle and the role temperature has on the rate of evaporation. To describe that some rocks are permeable.	Revisited in KS3					
Big Question:	Key Vocab:	Key Scientists:				

How can we change materials?	acid, bicarbonate of soda, burning, chemical changes, chemists, dissolve, electrical conductivity, evaporate, everyday materials, filter, formation, gas, hardness, irreversible, liquid, magnets, melt, metal, mixtures, new materials, plastic, properties, reactions, reversible changes, rusting, separate, sieve, solid	Spencer Silver & Arthur Fry (Chemist & Inventor)
	reactions, reversible changes, rusting, separate, sieve, solid, solubility, solution, suspension, thermal conductivity,	Stephanie Kwolek (Chemist)
	transparency, wood	

		Working Scientifically Ideas:			
Which material rusts fastest/slowest? How can we change how wobbly jelly is?	Can you identify and classify these reactions and changes into reversible and irreversible? Can you describe their group's similarities and differences?	How does a nail in salt water change over time? How can you get the salt back from the water?	What patterns can you notice in different reactions? How does the amount of bicarbonate of soda, washing up liquid and vinegar affect the reaction?		What are smart materials and how can they help us?
	Common Misconceptions:				Texts:
1			urvellous Medicine Roald Dahl Itch Simon Mayo)		
Year 5: Earth and Space					

National Curriculum:	Knowledge:	Key Questions:
 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. 	 Stars, planets and moons have so much mass they attract other things, including each other due to a force called gravity. Gravity works over distance. Objects with larger masses exert bigger gravitational forces. Objects like planets, moons and stars spin. Smaller mass objects like planets orbit large mass objects like stars. 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. 	 How does temperature/size/day length/year length change as you get closer/further to the Sun? How does speed/size of a meteorite affect the size of the Moon crater formed? If the Moon became heavier as a result of meteorite collisions what would happen to its position relative to Earth? Why do we have day/night/months/years/seasons? Why does day length change? Why does shadow size change over the course of a day?

Previous learning	Next learning	
•May have some knowledge about space.	In Year 7 pupils will be taught:	
•Have some understanding about how the earth orbits the sun.	The composition of the Earth and the structure of the Earth. The rock cycle and the formation of igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic rocks. Earth as a source of limited resources and the efficacy of recycling. The carbon cycle and the composition of the atmosphere The production of carbon dioxide by human activity and the impact on climate. Gravity forces between the earth and the moon and the earth and the sun. Sun as a star, and stars in other galaxies. Seasons and the earths tilt, day length. Light years.	

Big Question:			Key Vocab:		Key Scientists:		
Sun, Earth & Moon: What is moving and how do we know? helioce Neptur			cal clock, axis, celestial body, day, Ear ic, Jupiter, Mars, Mercury, Moon, mov night, orbit, phases, planets, rotation, S ir system, spherical, star, Sun, sundial,	vement, aturn, shadow	Galileo Galilei (Astronomer, Physicist & Engineer) Tim Peake (Astronaut)		
Working Scientifically Ideas:							
How does the number of daylight hours change in each season?	aylight hours change in the objects in the solar all the phases in the cycle of of a planet and				ern between the size nd the time it takes and the Sun?	How have our ideas about the solar system changed over time?	
	Common N	lisconceptio	ons:		Texts:		
• the Sun moves across the s	 the Sun is a planet the Sun rotates around the Earth the Sun moves across the sky during the day the Sun rises in the morning and sets in the evening 					c ies Above My Eyes Juillain & Yuval Zommer) P cret Key to the Universe Jawking with Christophe Galfard)	
• night is caused by the Moon getting in the way of the Sun or the Sun moving further away from the Earth.						Way Back Home Oliver Jeffers)	
Year 5: Forces							
National C	urriculum:		Knowledge:		К	ey Questions:	

 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, which act between moving surfaces. Recognise that some mechanisms, including levers, pulleys and gears, allow a smaller force to have a greater effect. 	 Air resistance and water resistance are forces against motion caused by objects having to move air and water out of their way. Friction is a force against motion caused by two surfaces rubbing against each other. Some objects require large forces to make them move; gears, pulley and levers can reduce the force needed to make things move. Some objects/animals are streamlined to minimise the effects of air/water resistance. 	 What actually is a force? How can a force act on an object? How can we see/measure forces? How does the saltiness (salinity) of water affect the water resistance? How does changing the shape of a piece of plasticine affect water resistance? How does adding holes to a parachute affect the time it takes to fall? How does the amount/depth of tread affect the friction between a shoe and a surface? How can we use levers to lift more? What is the most effective way to move an object? How do see-saws work? Can you create a pulley system to lift a given load?
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Previous learning					rning		
•May have an awareness of how to make things stop and start.							
•Compare how things move on diff	ferent surfaces.			Revisite	d in KS3		
•Notice that some forces need cont	act between two objects	, but magne	etic forces can act at a distance.				
•Observe how magnets attract or re	-						
•Compare and group together a var magnet, and identify some magnetic		als on the ba	asis of whether they are attracted to a	a			
•Describe magnets as having two p	oles.						
•Predict whether two magnets will	attract or repel each oth	er, dependii	ng on which poles are facing.				
Big Question: Key Vocab:					Key Scientists:		
How and why do objects move?	and why do objects move? and why do objects move?			sing, parachute,			
		L	Working Scientifically Ideas:				
What size makes the best helicopter wing? How does the size of an object affect the time it takes to fall?		How long does a pendulum swing for before it stops?	same way? How does th	s fall through water in the e surface area of a fect the time it takes to	How do submarines sink if they are full of air? Where do you find gears in the world?		
	Common M	lisconceptio	ns:			Texts:	

• the heavier the object the faster it falls, because it has more gravity acting on it	
 forces always act in pairs which are equal and opposite smooth surfaces have no friction objects always travel better on smooth surfaces 	Stick and Stone Beth Ferry & Tom Lichtenheld
 a moving object has a force which is pushing it forwards and it stops when the pushing force wears out a non-moving object has no forces acting on it heavy objects sink and light objects float. 	Aerodynamics of Biscuits Clare Helen Walsh & Sophia Touliatou

Year 6

Year 6: Living things and their habitats						
National Curriculum:			Knowledge:		Key Questions:	
 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. Give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics. 		 Variation exists within a population (and between offspring of some plants) – NB: this Key Idea is duplicated in Year 6 Evolution and Inheritance. Organisms best suited to their environment are more likely to survive long enough to reproduce. Organisms reproduce and offspring have similar characteristic patterns. Competition exists for resources and mates. Scientists, called Taxonomists, sort and group living things according to their similarities and differences. 		 Why do we need to classify living things? How do we classify? What are the difficulties with classification? (penguins, whales, platypus) How do animals change over time? Why does variation exist? What happens if animals of different species breed? (hybrids) What happens to house plants outside? What are microorganisms? How can we prevent the spread of disease? Why do animals and plants compete – and what for? 		
Big Question	:		Key Vocab:]	Key Scientists:
In what ways can we sort living things?			mphibians, animals, bacteria, birds, characteristics, lassification system, classified, differences, fish, groups, labitats, insects, invertebrates, key, living things, nammals, micro-organisms, organisms, plants, reptiles, imilarities, snails, spiders, subdivided, variation, vertebrates, worms Working Scientifically Ideas:		Carl Linnaeus (Identifying, Naming and Classifying Organisms)	
Which is the most common invertebrate on our school playing field? How would you make a classification key for vertebrates, invertebrates or microorganisms?			Do all fruits grow mould in the same way over time?	Are all ex	Skeletons the same? What do different types of microorganisms do? Are they always harmful?	
Common Misconceptions:				Texts:		
 all micro-organisms are harmful • mushrooms are plants. 					Beetle Boy (M G Leonard) Insect Soup	
					(Barry Louis Polisar) Fur and Feathers (Janet Halfmann)	

Year 6: Animals Incl. Humans							
National Curricu	ılum:		Knowledge:	Key Questions:			
system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood.		 Oxygen a absorbed Muscles food to d blood in through l muscles blood.) Drugs, al 	t pumps blood around the body. is breathed into the lungs where it is l by the blood. need oxygen to release energy from lo work. (Oxygen is taken into the the lungs; the heart pumps the blood blood vessels to the muscles; the take oxygen and nutrients from the lcohol and smoking have negative n the body.	 Why do we need oxygen? How do we breathe? Do fish and plants breathe? Do all living things need oxygen? How does the size of a person's lungs affect Are there ways to increase/decrease our lung Why do we have blood? How does our heart work? How does exercise affect our pulse rate? How might the circulatory system of an elep Is the air you breathe out, the same as that y 	g capacity? Is lung capacity fixed? phant, a hummingbird, or a polar bear differ?		
Big Question	::		Key Vocab:	Key Scientists:			
How do our choices affect how our bodies work? Why does my heart beat?		system, dam system, drug human, impa system, nutri	ry, blood, blood vessels, circulatory aged, deoxygenated, diet, digestive (s, exercise, functions, harm, health, heart, act, internal organs, lifestyle, muscular tents, oxygenated, respiration, skeletal tances, transported, valve, veins, water	Marie Curie (Physicist & Chemist) Alexander Fleming (Physician & Microbiologist)			
			Working Scientifically Ideas:				
How does the length of time we exercise for affect our heart rate? Which type of exercise has the greatest effect on our heart rate?	Which organs of the bod the circulation system, ar are they found?	n, and where over the day?		Is there a pattern between what we eat for breakfast and how fast we can run?	How have our ideas about disease and medicine changed over time?		
	Common Misconceptions: Texts:						

•	your heart is on the left side of your chest	•	foods only contain fat if you can	Hair in Funny Places			
•	the heart makes blood		see it	(Babette Cole)			
•	the blood travels in one loop from the heart to the lungs and around the body	•	all drugs are bad for you.				
•	when we exercise, our heart beats faster to work the muscles more			Giant			
•	some blood in our bodies is blue and some blood is red			(Kate Scott)			
•	we just eat food for energy			(Kate Scott)			
•	all fat is bad for you						
•	all dairy is good for you			You're Only Old Once!			
•	protein is good for you, so you can eat as much as you want			(Dr. Seuss)			
	Year 6: Evolution and inheritance						

National Curriculum:			Knowledge:			Key Questions:
 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. 		 Life cycles have evolved to help organisms survive to adulthood. Over time the characteristics that are most suited to the environment become increasingly common NB: The following could be duplicated in Year 6 Living things and their habitats. Organisms best suited to their environment are more likely to survive long enough to reproduce. Organisms best adapted to reproduce are more likely to do so. Organisms reproduce and offspring have similar characteristic patterns. Variation exists within a population (and between offspring of some plants). Competition exists for resources and mates. 		 Why are we all different? What is variation, and why is it important? How did life begin on Earth? How do we change? What is evolution? What evidence is there for evolution? How does evolution happen? What reasons do animals become extinct? The habitat for [animal name] is rapidly changing, what possible futures do they face and can we predict which is most likely? How did Darwin come up with the theory? Why was his theory not initially accepted? 		
Big Question	1:	Key Vocab:			Key Scientists:	
What is evolution, how does it happen and how do scientists know?		adapted, adaption, breed, changed, characteristics, competitions, environment, evolution, fossils, identical, inhabited, inherited, living things, mutation, offspring, parents, produce, reproduction, suit, survive, survival of the fittest, variation, vary		Charles Darwin (Naturalist) Gregor Mendel (Botanist & Biologist)		
What is the most common eye	Can you identify the				ern between the	Compare the ideas of Charles
colour in our class?	in our class? characteristics you have inherited from your parents? (use the Molliebird story).		horse changed over time?	size and shape and the food i	e of a bird's beak t will eat?	Darwin and Alfred Wallace on evolution.

	Common M	Aisconceptio	ons:			Texts:		
 adaptation occurs during an animal's lifetime: giraffes' necks stretch during their lifetime to reach higher leaves and animals living in cold environments grow thick fur during their life offspring most resemble their parents of the same sex, so that sons look like fathers all characteristics, including those that are due to actions during the parent's life such as dyed hair or footballing skills, can be inherited cavemen and dinosaurs were alive at the same time. 					leaves and animals living in cold environments grow thick fur during their life offspring most resemble their parents of the same sex, so that sons look like fathers all characteristics, including those that are due to actions during the parent's life such as dyed hair or footballing skills, can be inherited(Christopher Wormell)The Molliebird (Jules Pottle)			
			Year 6: Light					
National C	Curriculum:		Knowledge:			Key Questions:		
 that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye. • Explain that we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to objects and then to our eyes. Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them. 			 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. Light reflects off all objects (unless they are black). Non shiny surfaces scatter the light so we don't see the beam. Light travels in straight lines, called rays or beams of light. 		 How does the size of an object affect the size of a shadow? How does the distance between the light and the object change the size of a shadow? How does the distance between the object and the size of the screen affect the size of a shadow? How does the amount of aluminium foil scrunched affect how much light is scattered? How does the amount of polishing affect how well a piece of metal scatters light? How perfect are our mirrors? Do some scatter light more than others? What happens to light when it is shone through water? How is this affected by putting glitter, salt or talc in the water? How does a periscope/microscope/telescope work? 			
Big Question	n:		Key Vocab:		Key Scientists:			
walking/cycling in the dark?		ast, coloured filters, emitted , eye, glare, light, arce, periscope, rainbows, reflect, reflection, a, straight lines, Sun, travel, visible		Thomas Edison (Inventor) Edith Clarke (Electrical Engineer)				
	Working Scientifically Ideas:							
How does the angle that a light ray hits a plane mirror affect the angle at which it reflects off the surface? Which material is most reflective?			How do my pupils change throughout the day?		to how bright it is he day? If there is he same in every	Why do some people need to wear glasses to see clearly? How do our eyes adapt to different conditions?		

Common Misconceptions:	Texts:
	How Does A Lighthouse Work? Roman Balyaev
	Shadow Lucy Christopher

Year 6: Electricity								
National Curriculum:			Knowledge:		Key Questions:			
 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. 		 electricity around the circuit. • When the energy is gone it stops pushing. Voltage 'push.' • Symbols for: lamp, wire, buzzer, cell, ba switch (open), switch (closed). 	bols for: lamp, wire, buzzer, cell, battery, motor, ch (open), switch (closed). eries circuit will not work if a lamp is broken or a		 Do all batteries push as hard as each other? How does the voltage of a battery affect how much current is pushed? How does the number of bulbs affect the brightness of a bulb? Are all types of wires as good at conducting electricity? Why are wires insulated in plastic? Does the type of material make a difference? Does the length of wire make a difference? Does the type of circuit affect how the components work/long the battery lasts? What renewable ways can we generate electricity? 			
Big Question:		Key Vocab:			Key Scientists:			
Can we vary the effects of electricity?		brightness, bulb, buzzer, cells, circuits, components, diagram, function, insulator, lamp, loudness, motor, series circuit, switches, symbols, variations, voltage, volume		Michael Faraday (Physicist & Chemist) William Kamkwamba (Inventor)				
Working Scientifically Ideas:								
Which make of battery lasts the longest? Which type of fruit makes the best fruit battery?	How would you group electrical components and appliances based on what electricity makes them do?		How does the brightness of the bulb change as the battery runs out? How can we measure how quickly a battery is used up?		e the longer it is on?	How has our understanding of electricity changed over time?		

Common Misconceptions:	Texts:
 larger-sized batteries make bulbs brighter a complete circuit uses up electricity components in a circuit that are closer to the battery get more electricity. 	Energy Island Allan Drummond
	Blackout John Rocco