

Working Scientifically Progression Map

EYFS	Key Stage 1	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
Show curiosity about objects, events and people.	Explore the world around them and raise simple questions.	Raise their own relevant questions about the world around them.	Use their science experiences to explore ideas and raise different kinds of questions.
Engage in open ended activities.	Experience different types of science enquiries, including practical activities.	Should be given a range of scientific experiences including different types of science enquiries to answer questions	Talk about how scientific ideas have developed over time.
Take a risk, engage in new experiences and learn by trial and error.	Begin to recognise different ways in which they might answer scientific questions.	Start to make their own decisions about the most appropriate type of scientific enquiry they might use to answer questions.	Select and plan the most appropriate type of scientific enquiry to use to answer scientific questions
Find ways to solve problems/find new ways to do things.	Carry out simple tests.	Set up simple practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests Recognise when a simple fair test is necessary and help to decide how to set it up.	Recognise when and how to set up comparative and fair tests and explain which variables need to be controlled and why.
Develop ideas of grouping, sequences, cause and effect. Know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things.	Use simple features to compare objects, materials and living things and, with help, decide how to sort and group them (identifying and classifying).	Talk about criteria for grouping, sorting and classifying; and use simple keys.	Use and develop keys and other information records to identify, classify and describe living things and materials, and identify patterns that might be found in the natural environment.
Comments and asks questions about aspects of their familiar world such as the place where they live or the natural world.	Ask people questions and use simple secondary sources to find answers	Recognise when and how secondary sources might help them to answer questions that cannot be answered through practical investigations	Recognise which secondary sources will be most useful to research their ideas and begin to separate opinion from fact.
Closely observes what animals, people and vehicles do. Use senses to explore the world around them	Observe closely using simple equipment With help, observe changes over time	Make systematic and careful observations Help to make decisions about what observations to make, how long to make them for and the type of simple equipment that might be used	Make their own decisions about what observations to make, what measurements to use and how long to make them for.

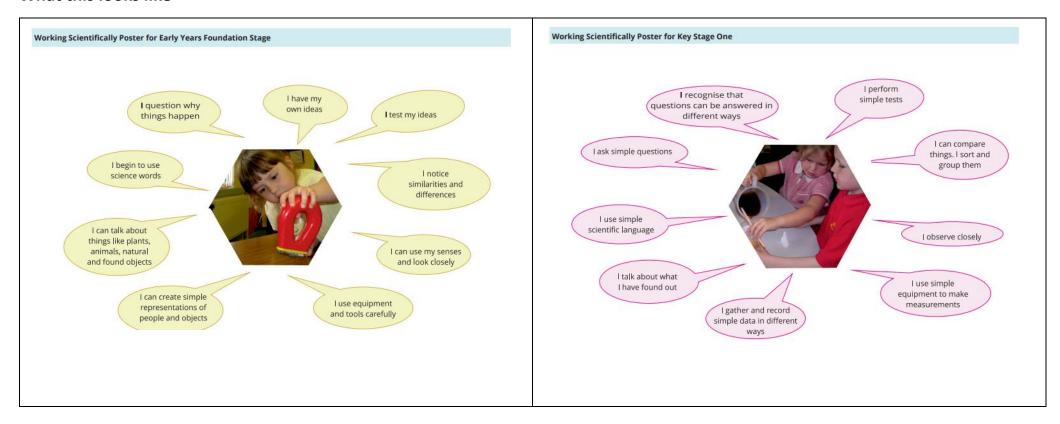


Make links and notice patterns in	With guidance, they should begin to	Begin to look for naturally occurring	Look for different causal relationships	
their experience.	ir experience. notice patterns and relationships		in their data and identify evidence	
		what data to collect to identify them	that refutes or supports their ideas.	
Choose the resources they need for	Use simple measurements and	Take accurate measurements using	Choose the most appropriate	
their chosen activities.	equipment (e.g. hand lenses, egg	standard units learn how to use a	equipment to make measurements	
Handle equipment and tools	timers) to gather data	range of (new) equipment, such as	with increasing precision and explain	
effectively.		data loggers / thermometers	how to use it accurately. Take repeat	
		appropriately.	measurements where appropriate.	
Create simple representations of	Record simple data	Collect and record data from their	Decide how to record data and	
events, people and objects.		own observations and measurements	results of increasing complexity from	
		in a variety of ways: notes, bar charts	a choice of familiar approaches:	
		and tables, standard units, drawings,	scientific diagrams and labels,	
		labelled diagrams, keys and help to	classification keys, tables, scatter	
		make decisions about how to analyse	graphs, bar and line graphs.	
		this data.		
Answer how and why questions	Use their observations and ideas to	With help, pupils should look for	Identify scientific evidence that has	
about their experiences.	suggest answers to questions Talk	changes, patterns, similarities and	been used to support or refute ideas	
Make observations of animals and	about what they have found out and	differences in their data in order to	or arguments.	
plants and explain why some things	how they found it out	draw simple conclusions and answer		
occur, and talk about changes.		questions		
Develop their own narratives and	With help, they should record and	Use relevant simple scientific	Use relevant scientific language and	
explanations by connecting ideas or	communicate their findings in a	language to discuss their ideas and	illustrations to discuss, communicate	
events.	range of ways and begin to use	communicate their findings in ways	and justify their scientific ideas, use	
	simple scientific language	that are appropriate for different	oral and written forms such as	
		audiences, including oral and written	displays and other presentations to	
		explanations, displays or	report conclusions, causal	
		presentations of results and	relationships and explanations of	
		conclusions	degree of trust in results.	
		With support, they should identify	Use their results to make predictions	
		new questions arising from the data,	and identify when further	
		making predictions for new values	observations, comparative and fair	
		within or beyond the data they have	tests might be needed.	
		collected and finding ways of		

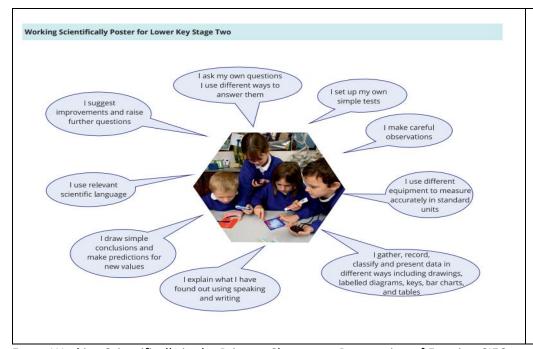


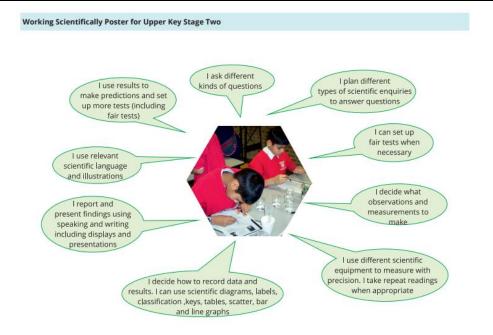
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	improving what they have already	
	done.	

What this looks like-









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Our Science Topics follow the National Curriculum where learning builds on previous year group knowledge.

EYFS	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 2	Summer 2
	Seasons-Autumn: Observe the changes in the season, the seeds that we discover on different trees, why some leaves change colour and fall and	Hibernation: Hedgehogs – discover why hedgehogs hibernate. (Hedgehog house in Forest School)	Teeth Cleaning/Oral Hygiene: *Sorting Activity – healthy/not healthy? *Healthy lunchbox *Visit: Dental hygienist & Nurse	Seasons-Spring: Observe the changes in the season: buds on trees, bulbs growing, changes in the weather etc.	Mini-Beats: *Class trip to Hinchingbrooke Park *The lifecycle of tadpoles (frog spawn brought into EYFS). *Mini-beast hunting in	Outdoor Water Play: Floating and sinking Holiday: Clothing you'd wear for a summer holiday. What fabric would you
	other don't. Exploring with magnets:		PANTS (Linked with PSHE): *Body awareness *Design own pants	Life Education Bus: All about my body.	Forest School (and creation of clay models).	choose? Year 4 – Science Experiment: link with EYFS



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	What's magnetic and		Looking after our bodies		*The importance of	
	what's not?		– the effect of exercise:		Bees and which bees	
			*Linked to Jo Wicks and		produce honey?	
	Little Red Hen:		creating our own Joe Wicks workouts.		*Creation of bug hotel	
	Baking Bread and		WICKS WORKOUTS.		(sustainable, safe place	
	watching the change in		Ice:		for mini-beasts).	
	state. Talking about the		Sea Creatures			
	texture of the		What is ice?		Sowing & Growing:	
	ingredients used.				Observing the changes	
					over time.	
Year 1	Plants	Animals, including		Everyday	Sare taught in KS1 and Seasonal Changes	
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	Identifying and	Identifying and		Identifying and	Observing changes	
	naming common	naming common		naming everyday	and describing	
	plants and	animals and their		materials,	weather in each	
	describing their	diets		describing	season	
	basic structure			properties and		
				grouping materials		
rear 2	Growing Plants	Animals, including	Living Things and	Uses of Everyday		
		Humans	their Habitats	Materials		
	Plant life cycles,	Life cycles, basic	Exploring and	Identifying and		
	what plants eat	needs of animals,	comparing	comparing		
		diet, exercise and	differences	everyday		
		hygiene	between living,	materials, finding		
		75 -	dead and things	out how some		
			that have never	materials can be		
			lived, studying	changed		
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			habitats, simple			
		1	food chains			



Year 3	Plants Identifying and describing the functions of the parts of a flowering plant, exploring what plants need for growth, investigating how water is transported in plants, life cycles including	Animals, including Humans Nutrition and skeletons		Rocks Comparing and grouping rocks, describing how fossils are made, recognising how soils are made	Forces and magnets Comparing how things move, how magnets repel and attract, describing magnets as having two poles	Recognise that light is needed to see, notice that light is reflected from surfaces, protecting our eyes from light, recognise how shadows are formed and change
Year 4	including pollination, seed formation and dispersal	Animals, including Humans Digestive system, teeth, food chains	Living Things and their Habitats Grouping and classifying living things, changing habitats	States of Matter Solids, liquids and gases, changing states, water cycle	Electricity Constructing circuits with switches and buzzers, recognising common conductors and insulators	Sound How sounds are made, how sounds travel, pitch, volume



Year 5		Animals, including Humans Changes in the human life cycle, puberty, gestation periods	Living Things and their Habitats Differences in life cycles between mammals, amphibians,	Properties and Changes of Materials Comparing and grouping materials,	Forces Gravity, air resistance, friction, mechanisms (levers, pulleys and	The solar system, movement of the planets, day and night
		perious	insects and birds, reproduction in some plants and animals	dissolving, separating materials, reversible and irreversible changes	gears)	mgnt
Year 6	Evolution and Inheritance Recognise changes over time, adaptation, evolution	Animals, including Humans The circulatory system, diet, exercise	Living Things and their Habitats Describe how living things are classified into broad groups including microorganisms, plants and animals		Electrical symbols, changing the brightness of a lamp in a circuit, comparing circuits,	Light How light travels, how we see, shadows

Currently Year 1 & 2 are operating a two year programme as there are mixed Year 1 and 2 classes.

Cycle	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
A	Materials	Animals and their Habitats	Animals- Classification	Plants	The Human Body	



E	3	Seasons and	Human Body	Naming wild	Materials	Life Cycle of	Exercise and
		weather	Senses	plants and		an animal	Diet
		patterns in the		trees			
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