

## St Mary's CE Primary School Science Long Term Plan

<u>Year</u> <u>Group</u>	<u>Autumn</u>	<u>Term</u>	Spring	Spring Term Sur		
Reception	Understanding the World -ELG Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons (and changing states of matter) Understanding the World -ELG Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been learnt in class. Floating and sinking	Understanding the World -ELG Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons (and changing states of matter) Signs of Autumn - Seasons	Understanding the World -ELG Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons (and changing states of matter) Understanding the World -ELG Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been learnt in class.  Find out about Archimedes.  Signs of Winter - Seasons  Explore:	Understanding the World -ELG Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of (animals) and plants Understanding the World -ELG Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons (and changing states of matter) Understanding the World -ELG Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been learnt in class.	Understanding the World -ELG Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants Understanding the World -ELG Understanding the World -ELG Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been learnt in class.	Understanding the World -ELG Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants Understanding the World -ELG Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons (and changing states of matter) Understanding the World -ELG Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been learnt in class.



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		freezing		Identify, name and	Seasons
		Shadows, Day/Night,	name and describe	talk about mini	
		what can you see	common plants :	beasts in the local	Compare hot and cold
		through	daffodil, tulip, rose,	environment	places
			buttercup, daisy,		Piaces
		Sound - what makes a	dandelion.	Lifecycle of	
		noise ?		butterfly, frog	Animals found in the
					North Pole
			Measure and describe	who and how do	
		Magnetic and non	changes of growing	we care for	Animals found in India
		magnetic	plants (including decay)	animals ? (farms,	Allilliais loulla III IIIaia
				pets )	
			Know lifecycle of a plant	l	
				How do we look	
			Observations of	after animals in	
			different plants	their own natural	
			similarities and	habitats (under	
			differences - compare	the sea, wildlife)	
			different plants grow		
			from a bulb and some	Find out about	
			from a seed.	David	
			Know that we eat some	Attenborough.	
			leaves and vegetables		
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Year 1	Everyday Materials	Seasonal changes  Day and night	<u>Plants</u>	A missource to the	alvalina homana
				Animais, ir	ncluding humans
	distinguish between an object ar material from which it is made	d the Weather	Identify and name a variety of common wild		



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

explore, name, discuss, questions about everyday materials so that they become familiar with the names of materials and properties such as: hard/soft; stretchy/stiff; shiny/dull; rough/smooth; bendy/not bendy; waterproof/not waterproof; absorbent/not absorbent; opaque/transparent.

Perform simple tests to explore questions, for example: 'What is the best material for an umbrella? ... for lining a dog basket? ... for curtains? ... for a bookshelf? ... for a gymnast's leotard?

observe changes across the 4 seasons

observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies

Find out about Anders Celsius and John Dalton and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees

identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees

(including leaves, flowers (blossom), petals, fruit, roots, bulb, seed, trunk, branches, stem).

comparing and contrasting familiar plants; describing how they were able to identify and group them, and drawing diagrams showing the parts of different plants including trees. keep records of how plants have changed over time, for example, the leaves falling off trees and buds opening;

identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals including those that are kept as pets.

identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores

describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals including pets)

identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense including head, neck, arms, elbows, legs, knees, face, ears, eyes, hair, mouth, teeth through games, actions, songs and rhymes.

**Working scientifically** 



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- asking simple questions and recognising that they can be answered in different ways
- observing closely, using simple equipment
- performing simple tests
- identifying and classifying
- using their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions

	<ul> <li>gathering and recording</li> </ul>	data to help in ansy	vering questions			
	<u>Autumn Term</u>		Spring Te	<u>rm</u>	<u>Summer Term</u>	
Year 2		identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses some materials are used for more than one thing (metal can be used for coins, cans, cars and table legs; wood	Everyday Materials find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching	Animals including Humans 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	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 introduce the requirements of plants for germination, growth and survival, as well as to the processes of	Living Things and Their Habitats  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



can be used for matches, floors, and telegraph poles) or different materials are used for the same thing (spoons can be made from plastic, wood, metal, but not normally from glass).  properties of materials that make them suitable or unsuitable for particular purposes  Find out John McAdam and Charles Mactintosh	types of food, and hygiene  introduced to the processes of reproduction and growth in animals.  egg, chick, chicken; egg, caterpillar, pupa, butterfly; spawn, tadpole, frog; lamb, sheep.  Growing into adults can include reference to baby, toddler, child, teenager, adult.	reproduction and growth in plants.  observe similar plants at different stages of growth; setting up a comparative test to show that plants need light and water to stay healthy.	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  introduced to the terms 'habitat' (a natural environment or home of a variety of plants and animals) and 'microhabitat' (a very small habitat, for example for woodlice under stones, logs or leaf litter).
			for example, plants serving as a source of



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- gathering and recording data to help in answering questions



	<u>Autumn Teri</u>	<u>n</u>	Spring Te	<u>erm</u>	<u>Summer Term</u>
Year 3	Rocks	Forces and Magnets	Animals Including Humans	Light	<b>Plants</b>
	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	compare how things move on different surfaces notice that some forces need contact between 2 objects, but magnetic forces can act	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	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	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
	Linked with work in geography, pupils should explore different kinds of rocks and soils, identifying the similarities and differences between them and investigate what happens when rocks are rubbed together or what changes occur when they are in water  observing rocks, including those used in buildings and	at a distance observe how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of whether they are attracted to a magnet, and	support, protection and movement Identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple function  learn about the importance of nutrition and should be introduced to the main body parts associated with the skeleton and muscles, finding out how different parts of the body have special functions.  identify and group animals with and without skeletons	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  explore what happens when light reflects off a mirror or other reflective surfaces	dispersal  understand the role of the roots and stem in nutrition and support, leaves for nutrition and flowers for reproduction (label parts of a flower)  be introduced to the idea that plants can make their own food, but at this stage they do not need to understand how this happens  compare the effect of different factors on plant growth, eg the amount of light, the amount of fertiliser; discovering how seeds are formed by observing the different stages of plant life cycles over a period of time;



gravestones, and exploring how and why they might have changed over time

classify rocks according to whether they have grains or crystals, and whether they have fossils in them.

Find out about Mary Anning

identify some magnetic materials describe magnets as having 2 poles predict whether 2 magnets will attract or repel each other, depending on which poles are facing

observe that magnetic forces can act without direct contact, unlike most forces, where direct contact is necessary

explore the behaviour and everyday uses of different magnets

compare how different things

and observing and comparing their movement; exploring ideas about what would happen if humans did not have skeletons. They might compare and contrast the diets of different animals (including their pets) and decide ways of grouping them according to what they eat. They might research different food groups and how they keep us healthy and design meals based on what they find out.

Identify the different types of **teeth** in humans and their simple functions. Compare the teeth of carnivores and herbivores, and suggesting reasons for differences; finding out what damages teeth and how to look after them.

learn why it is important to protect their eyes from bright lights.

look for, and measure, shadows, and find out how they are formed and what might cause the shadows to change.

know that it is not safe to look directly at the Sun, even when wearing dark glasses.

look for patterns in what happens to shadows when the light source moves or the distance between the light source and the object changes.

looking for patterns in the structure of fruits that relate to how the seeds are dispersed.

observe how water is transported in plants, for example, by putting cut, white carnations into coloured water and observing how water travels up the stem to the flowers.



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Pupils should read and spell scientific vocabulary correctly and with confidence, using their growing word-reading and spelling knowledge **Working scientifically** 

During years 3 and 4, pupils should be taught to use the following practical scientific methods, processes and skills through the teaching of the programme of study content:

- asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them
- setting up simple practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests
- making systematic and careful observations and, where appropriate, taking accurate measurements using standard units, using a range of equipment, including thermometers and data loggers
- gathering, recording, classifying and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions
- recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables
- reporting on findings from enquiries, including oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and conclusions
- using results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further questions



- identifying differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes
- using straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or to support their findings.

	Autumn Ter	<u>rm</u>	<u>Spring</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Sumn</u>	ner Term
Year 4	Autumn Telestates Of Matter  States Of Matter  compare and group materials together, according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases observe that some materials change state when they are heated or cooled, and measure or research the temperature at which this happens in degrees Celsius (°C) identify the part played by evaporation and condensation in the water cycle and associate the rate of evaporation with temperature	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	Living Things and their habitats  recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things	<u>Term</u>	Animals including Humans  Construct and interpret a variety of foodchains, identifying producers, predators and prey.	identify how sounds are made, associating some of them with something vibrating recognise that vibrations from sounds travel through a medium to the ear find patterns betwee the pitch of a sound and features of the object that produced it find patterns betwee the volume of a soun and the strength of the vibrations that
	explore a variety of everyday materials and develop simple descriptions of the states of matter (solids hold their shape; liquids form a pool not a pile; gases	circuit, based on whether or not the lamp is part of a complete loop with a battery recognise that a switch opens	use the local environment throughout the year to identify and study plants and animals in their habitat.			produced it recognise that sounds get fainter as the distance from the sound source increases  explore and



escape from an unsealed	and closes a	identify how the habitat		identify the way sound
container).	circuit and	changes throughout the		is made through
observe water as a solid, a liquid and a gas and should note the changes to water when it is heated or cooled.  Note: Teachers should avoid using materials where heating is associated with chemical change, for example, through baking or burning.	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	year.  explore possible ways of grouping a wide selection of living things that include animals and flowering plants and non-flowering plants.  begin to put vertebrate animals into groups such as fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds, and mammals;		vibration in a range of different musical instruments from around the world; and find out how the pitch and volume of sounds can be changed in a variety of ways.  find patterns in the sounds that are made by different objects such as saucepan lids
group and classify a variety of different materials; exploring the effect of temperature on substances such as chocolate, butter  observe and record evaporation over a period of time, for example, a puddle in the playground or washing on a line, and investigate the effect of temperature on washing drying or snowmen melting.	Pupils should construct simple series circuits, trying different components, for example, bulbs, buzzers and motors, and including switches, and use their circuits to create simple devices. Pupils should draw the circuit as a pictorial representation, not necessarily	and invertebrates into snails and slugs, worms, spiders, and insects  group plants into categories such as flowering plants (including grasses) and non-flowering plants, such as ferns and mosses.  explore examples of human impact (both positive and negative) on environments, eg.,		of different sizes or elastic bands of different thicknesses.

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	using	the positive effects of		
	conventional	nature reserves,		
	circuit symbols	ecologically planned		
	at this stage;	parks, or garden ponds,		
	these will be	and the negative effects		
	introduced in	of population and		
	year 6.	development, litter or		
		deforestation.		
	Pupils should be			
	taught about	use and make simple		
	precautions for	guides or keys to		
	working safely	explore and		
	with electricity.	identify local		
		plants and		
		animals		
	observe			
	patterns, eg.that			
	bulbs get			
	brighter if more			
	cells are added,			
	that metals tend			
	to be conductors			
	of electricity, and			
	that some			
	materials can			
	and some			
	cannot be used			
	to connect			
	across a gap in a			
	circuit.			



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Year 5	Autumn Term Properties and changes of materials	Spring Te	Earth and Space	Living Things and Their Habitats	Animals including Humans				
	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 materials will dissolve in liquid to form a solution, and describe how to recover a substance from a solution  Use knowledge of solids, liquids and gases to decide how mixtures might be separated,	Explain that unsupported objects fall towards the Earth because of the force of gravity acting between the Earth and the falling object Identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction, that act between moving surfaces	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 differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird Describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals.	describe the changes as humans develop to old age  describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans				



including through filtering, sieving and evaporating

Give reasons, based on evidence from comparative and fair tests, for the particular uses of everyday materials, including metals, wood and plastic

Demonstrate that dissolving, mixing and changes of state are reversible changes
Explain that some changes result in the formation of new materials, and that this kind of change is not usually reversible, including changes associated with burning and the action of acid on bicarbonate of soda

Explore and compare the properties of a broad range of materials, including relating these to what they learnt about magnetism in year 3 and about electricity in year 4. They should explore reversible changes, including, evaporating, filtering, sieving, melting and dissolving, recognising that melting and dissolving are different processes.

Explore changes that are difficult to reverse, for example, burning, rusting and other reactions, for example, vinegar with bicarbonate of soda.

Find out about how chemists create new materials, for example, Spencer Silver, who

Recognise that some mechanisms including levers, pulleys and gears allow a smaller force to have a greater effect

Explore falling objects and raise questions about the effects of air resistance

Explore the effects of air resistance by observing how different objects such as parachutes and sycamore seeds fall.

Experience forces that make things begin to move, get faster or slow down.

Explore the effects of friction on movement and find out how it slows or stops moving objects, eg. by observing the effects of a brake on a bicycle wheel. explore the effects of levers, pulleys and simple machines on movement.

Find out how scientists, for example, Galileo Galilei and Isaac Newton helped to develop the theory of gravitation.

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

Use a model of the Sun and Earth that enables them to explain day and night.

Learn that the Sun is a star at the centre of our solar system and that it has eight planets: Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune They should understand that a moon is a celestial body that orbits a planet (Earth has one moon; Jupiter has four large moons and

(Pupils should find out about different types of reproduction, including sexual and asexual reproduction in plants, and sexual reproduction in animals.)

Observe life-cycle changes in a variety of living things, for example, plants in the vegetable garden or flower border, and animals in the local environment.

Find out about the work of naturalists and animal behaviourists, eg. David Attenborough and Jane Goodall.

Find out about different types of reproduction, including sexual and asexual

draw a timeline to indicate stages in the growth and development of humans.

learn about the changes experienced in puberty.

research the gestation periods of other animals and comparing them with humans; by finding out and recording the length and mass of a baby as it grows.

Pupils should build on their learning from years 3 and 4 about the main body parts and internal organs (skeletal, muscular and digestive system) to explore and answer questions that help them to understand how the circulatory system enables the body to function.



invented the glue for sticky notes or Ruth Benerito, who invented wrinkle-free cotton.

Observe that some conductors will produce a brighter bulb in a circuit than others and that some materials will feel hotter than others when a heat source is placed against them.

Carry out tests to answer questions,eg.

'Which materials would be the most effective for making a warm jacket, for wrapping ice cream to stop it melting, or for making blackout curtains?'

Compare materials in order to make a switch in a circuit.

Observe and compare the changes that take place, eg, when burning different materials or baking bread or cakes.

Research and discuss how chemical changes have an impact on our lives, eg, cooking, and discuss the creative use of new materials such as polymers, super-sticky and super-thin materials.

Explore falling paper cones or cup-cake cases, and designing and making a variety of parachutes and carrying out fair tests to determine which designs are the most effective.

Explore resistance in water by making and testing boats of different shapes.
They might design and make products that use levers, pulleys, gears and/or springs and explore their effects.

numerous smaller ones).

Find out about the way that ideas about the solar system have developed, understanding how the geocentric model of the solar system gave way to the heliocentric model by considering the work of scientists such as Ptolemy, Alhazen and Copernicus. Find out about Brian Cox and Mae Jemison.

Compare the time of day at different places on the Earth through internet links and direct communication; creating simple models of the solar system; constructing simple shadow clocks and sundials, calibrated to show midday and the start and end of the school

reproduction in plants (including recap flower parts), and sexual reproduction in animals.

Observe and compare the life cycles of plants and animals in their local environment with other plants and animals around the world (in the rainforest, in the oceans, in desert areas and in prehistoric times)

Try to grow new plants from different parts of the parent plant, for example, seeds, stem and root cuttings, tubers, bulbs.

Observe changes in an animal over a period of time Compare how

different animals



				day; finding out why some people think that structures such as Stonehenge might have been used as astronomical clocks.	reproduce and grow.	
	Pupils should read, spell and pronounce scientific vocabulary correctly  Working scientifically  During years 5 and 6, pupils should be taught to use the following practical scientific methods, processes and skills through the teaching of the second scientific methods.					
	planning different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary taking measurements, using a range of scientific equipment, with increasing accuracy and precision, taking repeat readings when appropriate recording data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs using test results to make predictions to set up further comparative and fair tests reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and a degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations identifying scientific evidence that has been used to support or refute ideas or arguments					
Year 6	Living things and their habitats- Biology  Living things and their habitats	Animals including Humans - Biology What keeps us running?	Light -Physics  How do submarines see above the water's surface?	Electricity - Physics  What happens when you flick a switch?	Evolution and in Where do we all com	heritance - Biology e from?
	What do they have in common?  Describe how living things are classified into broad groups	Identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the	Recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain that objects are	Associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage	Recognise that living over time and that for information about livinhabited the Earth n	ssils provide ring things that



according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro-organisms, plants and animals Give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics

Build on their learning about grouping living things in year 4 by looking at the classification system in more detail. They should be introduced to the idea that broad groupings, such as micro-organisms, plants and animals can be subdivided

classify animals into commonly found invertebrates (such as insects, spiders, snails, worms) and vertebrates (fish, 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

Build on their learning from years 3 and 4 about the main body parts and internal organs (skeletal, muscular and digestive system) to explore and answer questions that help them to understand how the circulatory system enables the body to function.

Learn how to keep their bodies healthy

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

Build on the work on light in year 3, exploring the way that light behaves, including light sources, reflection and shadows.

Talk about what happens and make predictions.

Decide where to place rear-view mirrors on cars; designing and making a periscope and using the idea that light appears to 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

Build on their work in year 4, pupils should construct simple series circuits, to help them to answer questions about what happens when they try different components, for example, switches, bulbs, buzzers and motors.

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

Building on what they learned about fossils in the topic on rocks in year 3, pupils should find out more about how living things on earth have changed over time.

Introduce the idea that characteristics are passed from parents to their offspring, for instance by considering different breeds of dogs, and what happens when, for example, labradors are crossed with poodles. They should also appreciate that variation in offspring over time can make animals more or less able to survive in particular environments, for example, by exploring how giraffes' necks got longer, or the development of insulating fur on the arctic fox.

Find out about the work of palaeontologists such as Mary Anning (studied already in Y3) and about how Charles Darwin and Alfred Wallace developed their ideas on evolution.



amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals). discuss reasons why living things are placed in one group and not another.

Find out about the significance of the work of scientists such as Carl Linnaeus, a pioneer of classification.

Use classification systems and keys to identify some animals and plants in the immediate environment.

Research unfamiliar animals and plants from a broad range of other habitats and decide where they belong in the classification system and how their bodies might be damaged including how some drugs and other substances can be harmful to the human body.

Explore the work of scientists and scientific research about the relationship between diet, exercise, drugs, lifestyle and health.

travel in straight lines to explain how it works.

Investigate the relationship between light sources, objects and shadows by using shadow puppets. Learn how to represent a simple series circuit (not parallel) in a diagram using recognised symbols.

Identify the effect of changing one component at a time in a circuit; designing and making a set of traffic lights, a burglar alarm or some other useful circuit.

Learn about local animals and how they are adapted to their environment; comparing how some living things are adapted to survive in extreme conditions, for example, cactuses, penguins and camels.

Analyse the advantages and disadvantages of specific adaptations, such as being on two feet rather than four, having a long or a short beak, having gills or lungs, tendrils on climbing plants, brightly coloured and scented flowers.



Pupils should read, spell and pronounce scientific vocabulary correctly

### Working scientifically

During years 5 and 6, pupils should be taught to use the following practical scientific methods, processes and skills through the teaching of the programme of study content:

- planning different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary
- taking measurements, using a range of scientific equipment, with increasing accuracy and precision, taking repeat readings when appropriate
- recording data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs
- using test results to make predictions to set up further comparative and fair tests
- reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and a degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations
- identifying scientific evidence that has been used to support or refute ideas or arguments