



SCIENCE CURRICULUM



KNOW IT:



TOPICS OF STUDY FOR YEAR 5

EARTH AND SPACE: BIG PICTURE ANIMALS INCLUDING HUMANS: KINGDOMS LIVING THINGS AND THEIR HABITATS: KINGDOMS PROPERTIES OF MATERIALS: PARTICLE FORCES: FORCE

CONCEPTUAL MODELS FOR YEAR 5



Force Arrow Model (Particle Model) (Make sure you describe opposite forces correctly (direction, size and label of each force). Explain the effect by describing how balanced / unbalanced the forces are)









DISCIPLINARY KNOWLEDGE AND SCIENTIFIC ENQUIRY:

YEAR 5

How we 'work' and 'think' like a Scientist.

Explaining Science	CLASSIFICATION		
 I show clear knowledge and understanding of science ideas and concepts. I begin to use complex science words correctly. I use science models to describe and begin to explain (why, how). I begin to draw and annotate my own diagrams. I select and prioritise facts to create an argument/answer. 	 I construct spider and number keys. I group and sub group by easy observation (create criteria). I explain how properties suit an application. 		
DESIGNING EXPERIMENTS	DATA, TABLES AND GRAPHS		
 I use knowledge and understanding to explain my prediction (relationship). I select equipment with the right scale for the task (supported). I begin to plan to minimise risk and work safely (consistently). I plan a fair test and ensure controlled variables are kept the same. I suggest a data range, interval and sufficient readings. I design and write an ordered method (controls variables). 	 I measure divisions on a number line past zero (-ve values). I measure/convert values in standard units (inc, area). I use a frame to construct a complex table of results. I use a frame to construct a graph and can scale axes (supported). I join plotted co-ordinates with straight lines. 		
MAKING CONCLUSIONS			
 I describe patterns, trends and relationships in data. I spot anomalous data that doesn't fit the pattern. I use data in my conclusions and use science to explain. Lidentify strengths, weaknesses and improvements. 			

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TEACH IT: Earth and Space

YEAR 5

Key Objectives (Statutory)	KEY SKILLS OBJECTIVES	VOCABULARY
 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. 	 EXPLAINING SCIENCE ⇒ Use and apply simple science words correctly. ⇒ Use complex science words correctly. ⇒ Begin to use knowledge of energy transfer to describe what and where. ⇒ Use knowledge of energy transfer to describe and explain why and how. ⇒ Annotate diagrams to help describe. ⇒ Draw and annotate diagrams. 	Solar system, sun, star, planet, Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, Pluto, Asteroids, moon, orbit, ellipses, gravity force, temperature, solid, liquid, gas, axis, tilted axis, day, night, month, year, satellite, atmosphere, surface, new moon, full moon, quarter moon, waxing, waning, crescent, gibbous, energy, transfer, Universe, telescope, astronomy, pattern, data, primary data, secondary data, trend, relationship, conclusion, valid (validity).
Prior Learning	Key Conceptual Knowledge And Unders	TANDING
four seasons. Look at how the length of the day varies according to seasons.Image: Seasons according to seasons.Y3: Light : Learn about different types of artificial and natural light sources. Understand that different sources transfer different quantities of light energy. Explore materials that reflect light and use a sensor to measure reflected light. Know the terms opaque, translucent and transparent and how the transfer of light energy differs when it is transmitted through materials with these different properties. Learn about and investigate shadows. Understand how to protect eyes and skin from light.Image: Season according to season according	 EARTH AND SPACE: ENERGY TRANSFER/I There are four seasons within a year. During the different seasons, the length of our days and nights gets long of year. This means long days of sunlight during the summer and shorter. The sun provides heat and light energy. The sun is a source of heat and light energy which will transfer to the far Moon to the Earth's surface. The sun, planets and moon(s) are spherical bodies. The Earth and other planets orbit the sun in the solar system; day and n (sun appears to move across the sky). The Moon is a non-luminous, reflective object. The Moon orbits the Earth. There are different phases of the Moon (new moon to full moon). Forces are the things that allow the movement of all objects around us. The Moon has gravity of its own which pulls the oceans (and us) toward because it's much smaller in size than Earth. 	ger and shorter depending on the time r, darker days during the winter. cing Earth's surface or will reflect off the ight are caused by the Earth's rotation Gravity is a force.



TEACH IT: Animals, including Humans

YEAR 5

Key Objectives (Statutory)	KEY SKILLS OBJECTIVES		VOCABULARY
• Describe the changes as humans develop to old age.	 EXPLAINING SCIENCE ⇒ Use and apply simple science words correctly. ⇒ Use complex science words correctly. ⇒ Begin to use knowledge of science to describe what and where ⇒ Use knowledge of science to describe and explain why and how. ⇒ Annotate diagrams to help describe. ⇒ Draw and annotate diagrams. 	 DATA, TABLES AND GRAPHS ⇒ Measure and convert standards units. ⇒ Measure and convert standard units. ⇒ Construct a simple table to compare cause and effect. ⇒ Use a frame to construct a complex table of results. ⇒ Construct bar charts correctly. ⇒ Construct charts and graphs. 	Baby, toddler, child, adolescent, adult, geriatric, growth, puberty, fertilisation, gestation, birth, egg, sperm, gamete, embryo, foetus, periods, pubic hair, testicle, scrotum, penis, vagina, vulva, cervix, uterus, ovary, erection, intercourse, ejaculation, metamorphosis, table of results, cause, effect, repeats, bar chart, coordinate, graph, data point, scale, plot, mean, trend line.
Prior Learning	Key Con	CEPTUAL KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERS	TANDING
 that animals can do (MRS GREN). Understand that all humans and animals have offspring that grow and change into adults. Learn that food, water and air are essential for survival and that healthy eating, exercise and hygiene are important lifestyle choices. Y3 Animals including Humans: Learn about balanced diets and how animals and humans stay healthy. Learn about the function of the skeleton for support and growth and muscles for movement. 	 Animals grow and change; some animals look like their parents and others do not. Animals, including humans have offspring that grow into adults. Humans also grow and change; there are six stages of human maturation: baby, toddler, child, teenager, adult and older adult. Gestation is the growth and development of a baby before it is born. It follows the pattern of fertilisation, growth in the womb and birth. The womb is the organ in a female that the unborn baby grows and develops in. An embryo is the name for an unborn human in the earliest stages of growth. A foetus is the name for a baby when it is 8 weeks old in the womb. The human gestation period lasts about 40 weeks. Adolescence is when children start changing into an adult; puberty is the start of adolescence. Girls start to develop earlier than boys at around 11 years old. Boys start to change around 12-13 years old. Girls and boys start to develop pubic hair and underarm hair and girls start to develop breasts. 		

PRIOR LEARNING LINKS

Objectives:

• Describe the changes

as humans develop

to old age.



\Rightarrow Animals grow and change; some animals look like their parents and others do not.

- \Rightarrow Animals, including humans have offspring that grow into adults.
- \Rightarrow Humans also grow and change; there are six stages of human maturation: baby, toddler, child, teenager, adult and older adult.
- \Rightarrow Gestation is the growth and development of a baby before it is born. It follows the pattern of fertilisation, growth in the womb and birth.

FUTURE LEARNING LINKS

- \Rightarrow The womb is the organ in a female that the unborn baby grows and develops in.
- \Rightarrow An embryo is the name for an unborn human in the earliest stages of growth.
- \Rightarrow A foetus is the name for a baby when it is 8 weeks old in the womb.
- \Rightarrow The human gestation period lasts about 40 weeks.
- \Rightarrow Adolescence is when children start changing into an adult; puberty is the start of adolescence.
- \Rightarrow Girls start to develop earlier than boys at around 11 years old.
- \Rightarrow Boys start to change around 12-13 years old.
- \Rightarrow Girls and boys start to develop pubic hair and underarm hair and girls start to develop breasts.
- \Rightarrow Girls and boys can develop spots as their skins adjusts.
- \Rightarrow Gestation periods of mammals differ, as do the average number of offspring and the lifespan of the mammal.

TEACH IT: Living Things & Their Habitats

YEAR 5

KEY OBJECTIVES (STATUTORY) KEY SKILLS OBJECTIVES VOCABULARY • Describe the differences in the Sexual, asexual, growth, metamorphosis, **EXPLAINING SCIENCE DESIGNING EXPERIMENTS** puberty, reproduction, fertilisation lifecycles of a mammal, an amphibian, \Rightarrow Use and apply simple science words correctly. \Rightarrow Predict a trend (relationship prediction). (internal / external), gamete, egg, sperm, an insect and a bird. \Rightarrow Use complex science words correctly. \Rightarrow Use knowledge and understanding to explain a embryo, foetus, larva, pupa (chrysalis), prediction (relationship prediction). testes, uterus, gestation, birth, petals, \Rightarrow Use knowledge of living things to describe what sepals, carpel, stigma, ovary, anther, and where. \Rightarrow Plan a fair teat by selecting a variable to stamen, pollen, pollination, dispersal, \Rightarrow Use knowledge of living things to describe and change and measure. • Describe the process of reproduction vegetative, bulb, runner, tuber, rhizome, explain why and how. \Rightarrow Plan a fair test and ensure controlled variables in some plants and animals. are kept the same. corm, stem, root, variation, clone, \Rightarrow Annotate diagrams to help describe. independent variable, dependent \Rightarrow Draw and annotate diagrams. \Rightarrow Design and write a simple ordered method variable, controlled variable, data range, (from plan). data interval, repetition, reliability, risk, \Rightarrow Design and write an ordered method (controls **CLASSIFICATION** relationship prediction, hypothesis, variables). \Rightarrow Create appropriate groups for sorting (create method, scale. criteria). \Rightarrow Group and sub-group by easy observation (create criteria). **PRIOR LEARNING KEY CONCEPTUAL KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING** Y2 Living Things and Habitats: Learn about the Ammals are warm-blooded, have skin, hair or fur, give birth to live young and breathe air; humans are mammals. characteristics of living things and things that \Rightarrow Birds are warm-blooded, have skin, feathers, beaks and wings, lay eggs and breathe air. are living, dead and not living. Learn why \Rightarrow Amphibians are cold-blooded, have slimy skin, lay soft eggs and most can breathe underwater and on land. specific plants and animals may live in \Rightarrow Reptiles are cold-blooded, have scaly skin, lay harder eggs and breathe air. particular habitats. Learn about food chains \Rightarrow Fish are cold-blooded, have fins and scales, lay soft eggs in water and breathe underwater. and the impact of a part being taken away. \Rightarrow Living things can be divided or sorted into different groups using a classification key. Y3 Plants: Learn that the different parts of a \Rightarrow A classification key is a series of questions to identify a living thing and can unlock the identity of it. plant have a particular function. Learn that \Rightarrow Animals can be divided into vertebrates and invertebrates and plants can be divided into flowering or non-flowering, in order to classify them. flowers support reproduction through \Rightarrow Flowering plants reproduce using flowers to make seeds; non-flowering plants reproduce using spores and seed cones. pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal Y4 Living Things and Habitats: Learn about \Rightarrow Spores are minute organisms that do not need fertilisation to grow into a new individual. finer classification-vertebrates and \Rightarrow A community of **animals**, **plants** and **microorganisms**, together with their **habitat** is called an **ecosystem**. invertebrates, non-flowering and flowering \Rightarrow A lifecycle is the different stages of life for all living things, including humans. plants and trees and use them to classify. \Rightarrow There are normally four major events in the lifecycle of animals: birth-growth-reproduction and death. Learn about different kinds of plant \Rightarrow There are similarities and differences between the lifecycles of mammals, amphibians, birds and insects. reproduction- seed and spores. Learn about \Rightarrow Insects and amphibians go through a transformational change called metamorphosis. local habitats and what makes a healthy ⇒ Reproduction in living things is varied. Some reproduce asexually, whilst others reproduce sexually. Some plants and a few animals can reproduce ecosystem. Links in with Y4 Geography through looking at negative humanasexually and sexually. environment interactions that impact habitats. ⇒ Sexual reproduction produces variation within a species, due to the combination of male and female cells, whereas asexual reproduction makes an identical copy of the animal or plant.

 \Rightarrow Only very few animals reproduce sexually and asexually. Many plants use asexual reproduction as an efficient and fast way to populate.

PRIOR LEARNING LINKS

Y3 Plants: The different parts of a plant have a particular function. Flowers support reproduction through pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal Y4 Living Things and Habitats: Learn about finer classification-vertebrates and invertebrates, non-flowering and flowering plants and trees and used them to classify. Learn about different types of plant reproduction-seed and spores.

Year 5 Science

Unit of Learning:

Living Things & Their Habitats

Teaching and Learning Sequence for this Unit.

FUTURE LEARNING LINKS:

Y6 Living Things and their Habitats:

Learn about micro-organisms. Learn how living things are classified based on similarities and differences, including micro-organisms, plants and animals.



Key Learning Objectives:

- Describe the differences in the lifecycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird.
- Describe the process of reproduction in some plants and animals.

Key Conceptual Knowledge and Understanding

REFER TO 'TEACH IT' FOR PRIOR KNOWLEDGE

- \Rightarrow A lifecycle is the different stages of life for all living things, including humans.
- \Rightarrow There are normally four major events in the lifecycle of animals: birth-growth-reproduction and death.
- \Rightarrow There are similarities and differences between the lifecycles of mammals, amphibians, birds and insects.
- \Rightarrow Insects and amphibians go through a transformational change called metamorphosis.
- ⇒ Reproduction in living things is varied. Some reproduce asexually, whilst others reproduce sexually. Some plants and a few animals can reproduce asexually and sexually.
- ⇒ Sexual reproduction produces variation within a species, due to the combination of male and female cells, whereas asexual reproduction makes an identical copy of the animal or plant.
- ⇒ Only very few animals reproduce sexually and asexually. Many plants use asexual reproduction as an efficient and fast way to populate.

TEACH IT: Properties & Material Changes YEAR 5

Key Objectives (Statutory)	Key Skills (OBJECTIVES	VOCABULARY
 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, 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. 	 EXPLAINING SCIENCE ⇒ Use and apply simple science words correctly. ⇒ Use complex science words correctly. ⇒ Use knowledge of particles to describe what and where. ⇒ Use knowledge of particles to describe and explain why and how. ⇒ Annotate diagrams to help describe. ⇒ Draw and annotate diagrams. CLASSIFICATION ⇒ Describe combined properties required for an application. ⇒ Explain how properties suit an application. 	 DESIGNING EXPERIMENTS ⇒ Select and use suitable equipment; ⇒ Select suitable equipment with the most appropriate scale for the task. ⇒ Plan a fair test by selecting variables to change and measure. ⇒ Plan a fair test and ensure that controlled variables are kept the same. ⇒ Collect sufficient repeat readings. 	Material, particle, substance, mixture, compound, state, solid, liquid, gas, melting, boiling, evaporation, condensation, freezing, energy, attraction, dissolve (dissolving), solute, solvent, soluble (solubility), insoluble, opaque, translucent, transparent (transparency), conductive (conductivity), insulating (insulation), heat, temperature, thermal, flexible (flexibility), rigid (rigidity), elastic (elasticity), absorbent (absorbency), magnetic, filtration, sieving, permeable (permeability), chromatography, chemical, physical, reaction, bond (bonded), combined, reversible, irreversible, variable, cause, effect, independent variable, dependent variable, controlled variable, data range, data interval, repetition, reliability, risk, relationship prediction, hypothesis, method.
and their basic properties. Compare the suitability of different	 KEY CON ⇒ Particles are in constant motion. ⇒ They move because they have energy. 	CEPTUAL KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERS	TANDING
 Solid objects can be changed by twisting, bending etc. Y3 Rocks: Compare and group together different kinds of rocks; understand rock and fossil formation. Learn about soil. Y4 States of Matter: Learn about other states of matter, as well as solids e.g. liquids and gases. Learn about the particles within them and their energy levels. Know about the effects of heating and cooling on particles and how changes of state can occur. Learn 	 The particles in a solid have much less entry The particles in a liquid have more energy The particles in a gas have the most energy Heating particles results in more energy and Cooling particles results in less energy and A mixture is a combination of two types of filtering or sieving-a reversible change. A solution occurs when the particles in a solution of the particles in a solution occurs when the particles in a solution occur	gy and therefore move very quickly so they col and more movement and leads to a change of d less movement and also leads to a change of of particle. The particles show little attraction f	ked position. pack closely together and flow over each other. llide and spread out. state. f state. or each other and therefore can be separated by les because there is more attraction (dissolving).

PRIOR LEARNING LINKS

How does a material's

property suit its role?

Are some materials

more transparent than

others?

Which material absorbs

the most heat?

Key Skill:

Plan a fair test.

Explain how properties

suit and application.

Y2 Uses of Everyday Materials: Recap on common everyday materials and their basic properties. Compare the suitability of different materials for particular purposes based on their properties. Investigate how the shape of solid objects can be changed by twisting, bending etc.

Y4 States of Matter: Learn about other states of matter, as well as solids e.g. liquids and gases. Learn about the particles within them and their energy levels. Know about the effects of heating and cooling on particles and how changes of can occur. Learn about evaporation, condensation and the water cycle.

What does soluble

mean?

How can we find out

which materials form

solutions and which

form mixtures?

What is the difference?

Key Skill:

Use knowledge of

particles to describe

and explain.

Year 5 Science

Unit of Learning:

Properties & Changes of Materials

Teaching and Learning Sequence for this Unit.

How can mixtures be

separated?

What do we know

about the particles in a

mixture?

What techniques are

there for separating

mixtures?

Kev Skill:

Use knowledge of

particles to describe

and explain.

FUTURE LEARNING LINKS

KS3 Science: Learn about the properties and uses of composites, polymers and ceramics. Learn about the properties of different metals.

Which changes cannot be reversed and why?

What happens when: An egg is heated? Bicarbonate of soda and vinegar are mixed?

Key Skill:

Select appropriate equipment with the right scale.

Key Learning Objectives:

- 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, 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 soda.

Key Conceptual Knowledge and Understanding

How can solutions be

separated?

What do we know

about the particles in a

solution?

What techniques are

there for separating

solutions?

Kev Skill:

Use knowledge of

particles to describe

and explain.

- Particles are in constant motion; they move because they have energy.
- The more energy they have, the more movement and the less energy they have, the less movement.
- Particles have attraction to each other.
- The particles in a solid have much less energy than in a liquid or gas. They are held strongly by the attraction. The particles only vibrate, which holds their fixed position.
- The particles in a liquid have less energy than a gas; they can feel the attraction and pack closely together but they move more quickly and therefore flow over each other.
- The particles in a gas have a lot of energy so are travelling too fast to 'feel' the attraction, because of this they move very quickly so collide and spread out.
- Heating particles results in more energy and more movement and leads to a change of state.
- Cooling particles results in less energy and less movement and also leads to a change of state.
- A mixture is a combination of two types of particle. The particles show little attraction for each other and therefore can be separated by filtering or sieving-a reversible change.
- A solution occurs when the particles in a substance get pulled apart by the water particles because there is more attraction (dissolving). Because of this they can only be separated by evaporation and chromatography (KS3)-also a reversible **change**.

TEACH IT: Forces

YEAR 5

Key Objectives (Statutory)	Key Skills Objectives		VOCABULARY
 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 	EXPLAINING SCIENCE ⇒ Use and apply simple science words correctly. ⇒ Use complex science words correctly. ⇒ Use knowledge of forces to	 DATA, TABLES AND GRAPHS ⇒ Construct a simple table of results. ⇒ Use a frame to construct a complex table of results. ⇒ Construct a bar chart correctly. 	Force, force arrow, contact force, non- contact force, push force, pull force, twist force, friction force, up thrust force, reaction force, gravity force, air resistance force, water resistance force, particle, solid, liquid, gas, balanced, unbalanced, resultant force,
 Identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction, that act between moving surfaces. 	 describe what and where. ⇒ Use knowledge of forces to describe and explain why and how. ⇒ Annotate diagrams to help 	 ⇒ Use a frame to construct a graph and scale axes. ⇒ Plot co-ordinates on a graph. ⇒ Join plotted co-ordinates with straight lines. 	force meter, Newton (N), mass, weight, machine, lever (type 1,2 & 3), pivot, fulcrum, effort, load, pulley, mechanical advantage, force multiplier, gear, cog, turning force, speed, acceleration, table of results,
 Recognise that some mechanisms, including levers, pulleys and gears, allow a smaller force to have a greater effect. 	describe. ⇒ Draw and annotate diagrams.		cause, effect, repeats, bar chart, bar, coordinate, graph, data point, extrapolate, scale, plot, mean, trend line.
PRIOR LEARNING	Κεγ Con	NCEPTUAL KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERS	STANDING
needed to move an object. Investigate simple forces, exploring	 resistance force and friction force ⇒ Some forces need contact (contact forces). 	e-Y5). ct forces) between two objects and so	ional force (an air resistance force, water ome forces act at a distance (non-contact
 Y2: Oses of Everyday Materials: Investigate now the shape of solid objects can be changed by twisting, bending etc. Y3: Forces and Magnets: Learn about contact and non-contact forces. Introduce the use of labels and arrows to identify the 	 ⇒ The type of force should be identified using a label; the size and direction of a force can be shown using an arrow. The length of the arrow determines the size of the force; if arrows are of equal length then the forces will be equal in size. The direction of an arrow determines in which direction the force is acting. ⇒ When forces are balanced, they cancel each other out, resulting in no change in motion for the object they are acting on. Unbalanced forces do not cancel each other out, and result in a change in motion for the object they 		
type of force and its size and direction. Use a Newton meter to measure the size of a force. Learnt about the concept of gravity and carry out investigations. Learn about magnetic forces-			
conclue with the Earth's poles. Explore magnetic and non-	 ⇒ Opposing forces can be in balance ⇒ Unsupported objects fall towards 		acting between earth and the falling



APPLY IT: Working Scientifically YFAR 5

CHILDREN SHOULD BE SUPPORTED TO DEVELOP THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF SCIENTIFIC IDEAS BY USING DIFFERENT TYPES OF SCIENTIFIC ENQUIRY THROUGHOUT ALL TEACHING.

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 programmes 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 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. .

POSSIBLE SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATIONS:				
 Living Things and Their Habitats: How can we grow new plants from different parts of the parent plant, for example, seeds, stem and root cuttings, tubers, bulbs? What changes occur in animals over a period of time (for example, by hatching and rearing chicks)? Do all animals reproduce and grow in the same way? What is the same and what is different about the life cycles of plants and animals in their local environment and how does this compare with other plants and animals around the world (in the rainforest, in the oceans, in desert areas and in prehistoric times)? 	 Properties and Changes of Materials: Does it take more time for an ice cube to melt or for water to freeze and make an ice cube? (same size and shape). How could we separate different size materials (sieving, filtering, evaporation)? Which materials would be the most effective for different purposes e.g. for making a warm jacket, for wrapping ice cream to stop it melting, or for making blackout curtains?' What are the best materials to make a switch in a circuit. What changes take place when a material is exposed to heat (burning different materials or baking bread or cakes)? 	 Earth and Space: Does the moon change shape? Does the sun move across the sky? What is it like at the same time of the day at different places on the Earth? (internet links and direct communication) How have structures such as Stonehenge been used as astronomical clocks.? 	 Forces: What can change the effect of friction? What does air resistance feel like? How does increasing the speed affect air resistance? What happens if you reduce the surface area? What causes resistance in water? (testing boats of different shapes). 	 Animals, including Humans: How do the gestation periods of other animals compare to humans?