

Science Curriculum Overview 2023-2024

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Longitudinal Study – What can we find in our bug hotel?					
Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Developing an understanding of growth, decay and changes over time. Looks closely at similarities, differences, patterns and change	To learn about similarities and difference in relation to places, objects, material and living things. To talk about different environments and how they might vary from one to another. To make observations of animals and explain why some things occur and	To learn about similarities and difference in relation to places, objects, material and living things. To make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and make changes. To talk about the features of their own immediate environment.	To learn about similarities and difference in relation to places, objects, material and living things. To talk about the features of their own immediate environment.	To talk about the features of their own immediate environment	To learn about similarities and difference in relation to places, objects, material and living things. To talk about different environments and how they might vary from one to another. To make observations of animals and plants explain why some things
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 Make observations about the world they live in To understand features of their environment To notice patterns and changes YEAR 1 Longitudinal Study – observe the changes across the four seasons, how day length varies, rain measurement – covered in the first session of each half term					
Plants- look at how the appearance of plants change throughout the year – losing leaves, buds developing into flowers, flowers developing into seeds or berries					
Autumn 1 Longitudinal study set up- seasonal change Animals, including humans	Autumn 2 Longitudinal study- seasonal change Everyday materials	Spring 1 Animals, including humans	Spring 2 Longitudinal study- seasonal change Everyday materials	Summer 1 Plants	Summer 2 Longitudinal study- seasonal change Scientists and inventors
Scientific enquiry: Classifying Pattern seeking Comparative/ fair testing	Scientific enquiry: Classifying Comparative/fair testing	Scientific enquiry: Classifying Observing over time Pattern seeking Researching	Scientific enquiry: Classifying	Scientific enquiry: Classifying Observing over time Pattern seeking Researching	Scientific enquiry: Researching
Assessment outcomes					



At the end of year 1 children should confidently be able to:

- Identify and name the body parts
- Identify and name a variety of materials and their properties
- Identify and name a variety of common animals and those that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores
- Identify and name a variety of plants and trees
- Describe the structure of plants and trees

YEAR 2 Longitudinal Study – habitats and how the seasons affect them – covered in the first session of each half term Plants- Seeds and bulbs need to be planted at different times of the year (bulbs in Autumn and seeds, generally, in Spring) Autumn 1 Autumn 2 Spring 1 Spring 2 Summer 1 Summer 2 Longitudinal study set up-Longitudinal study-Longitudinal study-Longitudinal studyhabitats and how seasons habitats and how seasons habitats and how seasons habitats and how seasons change them change them change them change them Plants Planning for growing Use of everyday Animals, including Living things and their Plants Pushes and pulls bulbs and seeds outside habitats materials humans Living things and their habitats Scientific enquiry: Scientific enquiry: Scientific enquiry: Scientific enquiry: Scientific enquiry: Scientific enquiry: Classifying Classifying Classifying Classifying Classifying Classifying Observing over time Pattern seeking Observing over time Observing over time Observing over time Fair testing Pattern seeking/asking Researching Pattern seeking Researching simple questions Fair testing Assessment outcomes

At the end of year 2 children should confidently be able to:

• Name of variety of plant and animal habitats and explain how they provide the basic needs for survival

- Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials for particular uses
- Describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival
- Describe simple life cycles and food chains
- Describe how plants grown and how they stay healthy