

How you can help your child with Science

• Highlight science in every day contexts.

Examples include: Condensation on a bathroom window, the growth and reproduction of a plant, watching the stars at night and how the sky changes and the electricity involved in many household *items.*

• Allow children to explore their own ideas through questions by experimenting (Be careful – this can sometimes get very messy!) or researching.

Examples of children's questions include: Why do we have day and night? Does a hedgehog hibernate? Does salt dissolve in water? Does your shadow change shape?

• Encourage children to use the correct vocabulary in everyday situations.

Examples include: Environment, crescent moon, stem, petal and pollution. (See the vocabulary documents for more ideas)

- Encourage children to watch scientific documentaries such as Blue Planet to further their understanding.
- Continue to support your child as much as you can, with their science home learning.

Most of all, **DON'T** panic when your child mentions the word science. You'll be amazed by how much you know!

Useful websites to support:

http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2science.html

Years 1-2 - https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/subjects/z6svr82

Years 3-6 - https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/subjects/z2pfb9q

https://www.nasa.gov/kidsclub/index.html

