Working scientifically from NC	Year group	Unit of work	How it appears in our curriculum
Perform simple tests	Y1	Animals inc. humans	Perform simple tests and make a prediction by investigating senses of smell and taste.
Gathering and recording data to help in answering questions Asking simple questions and recognising that they can be answered in different ways	Y1	Animals inc. humans	Use secondary sources to answer the question 'What do minibeasts eat?'
Observing closely using simple equipment	Y1	Seasons	Observe decaying leaves closely using magnifying glasses
Perform simple tests Observe closely using simple equipment Gathering and recording data to help in answering questions Using their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions	Y1	Everyday materials	Perform simple tests by investigating how waterproof different materials are. Observe closely using egg timers to maintain fair testing and gather and record data in a table to help answer the question 'Which fabric is the most waterproof?' Use their observations and ideas to suggest answers to the question 'What material would
suggest answers to questions			be best to use for a raincoat?' Identify different plants and trees
Identifying and classifying	Y1	Plants	using secondary sources such as identification sheets. Classify plants by leaf shape and their own chosen criteria and use this to answer their own questions.
Asking simple questions and recognising that they can be answered in different ways	Y2	Plants Animals inc. humans	Ask simple questions about similarities and differences between seeds and bulbs Recognise that questions can be answered in different ways Ask simple questions about similarities and differences between different offspring Recognise that questions can be
Asking simple questions and recognising that they can be answered in different ways Perform simple tests Gathering and recording data to help in answering questions Using their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions	Y2	Materials	Asking simple questions and recognising they can be answered in different ways by performing simple tests - investigating how stretchy different fabrics are. Gather and record data to help in answering the question 'Which fabric is the stretchiest?'

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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 Making systematic and careful observations and, where appropriate, taking accurate measurements using standard units, using a range of equipment, including thermometers and data loggers Setting up simple practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests Asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiry to answer them Using straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or support their findings Report on findings from enquiries including oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and conclusions	Y3	Light	Choose their own resources to help them gather data, record using a table and present using a line graph and labelled diagram to answer the question 'How do shadows change throughout the day?' including changes in size. Present results and conclusions orally to the class.
Asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiry to answer them	Y3	Animals inc. humans	Use secondary sources to answer the question 'What proportion of different food groups is healthy for children?'
Identify differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes	Y3	Forces and magnets	Identify differences, similarities or changes to how magnets work through other objects. Use this to answer their own question
Asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiry to answer them Making systematic and careful observations and, where appropriate, taking accurate measurements using standard units, using a range of equipment, including thermometers and data loggers Setting up simple practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests Using straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or support their findings	Y3	Forces and magnets	Compare how things move on different surfaces by using scientific evidence through investigating the question 'How does friction affect the distance a toy car can travel?' Setting up their own comparative test; making systematic and careful observations using standard units; reporting findings through written

Report 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 Recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts and tables			explanations and drawings; using results to draw conclusions; suggest improvements, and make predictions for future investigations
Identify differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes	Y3	Rocks	Compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties (Identifying differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes). Use this to answer their own questions.
Asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiry to answer them Making systematic and careful observations and, where appropriate, taking accurate measurements using standard units, using a range of equipment, including thermometers and data loggers Setting up simple practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests Using straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or support their findings Using results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further questions	Y3	Plants	Investigate the effect of added or excluded nutrients on the growth of plants by setting up their own simple practical enquiries; taking accurate measurements of time and height using standard units; Using scientific evidence to answer questions and using results to draw conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and ask further questions.
Identify differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes	Y4	Living things	Recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways (Identify differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes) Use this to answer their own question

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Making systematic and careful observations and, where appropriate, taking accurate measurements using standard units, using a range of equipment, including <i>thermometers</i> and data loggers	Y4	Sound	Find patterns between the volume of a sound and the strength of the vibrations that produced it by taking accurate measurements of standard units of sound using data loggers
Recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, <i>keys</i> , bar charts and tables	Y4	Living things	Explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment. Use their own classification keys to answer questions.

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Planning different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions Reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, <i>causal relationships</i> , and explanations of and degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations Recording data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar <i>and line graphs</i>	Y5	Living things and their habitats	Compare the gestation period of different animals, including humans, using secondary sources, noting any relationship between the size of the animal and/or the number of young and its gestation period, presented using line graphs
Identifying scientific evidence that has been used to support or refute ideas or arguments	Y5	Earth and space	Explain how discoveries in Ancient Greece changed scientific understanding
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, <i>tables</i> , <i>scatter graphs</i> , bar and line graphs Reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, casual relationships, and explanations of and degree of trust in results, in <i>oral and written forms</i> such as displays and other presentations	Y5	Forces	Plan a scientific enquiry to answer the question 'Does the shape of an object affect the speed at which it falls through water?' by making predictions; controlling variables; taking measurements; repeating readings as necessary; recording data in tables and scatter graphs and report and present findings including results, conclusions and degree of trust in the data in both written and oral forms
Recording data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs	Y5	Forces	Recognise that some mechanisms including levers, pulleys and gears allow a smaller force to have a greater effect and show this in a labelled scientific diagram
Recording data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs	Y5	Material s	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 and show this in a Venn diagram

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Recording data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, <i>classification keys</i> , tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs	Y6	Living things	Describe how living things are classified into broad groups (using classification keys) according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro-organisms, plants and animals Use their own classification keys to ask and answer questions.
Planning different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary	Y6	Animals	Plan a scientific enquiry to research the answer to the question 'How much physical activity year 6 children should be doing to have a healthy lifestyle?' Consider different types of activity and the frequency/duration.
Planning different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary Recording data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, <i>bar</i> and line graphs Reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, casual relationships, and explanations of and degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations Using test results to make predictions to set up further comparative and fair tests	Y6	Animals	Plan a scientific enquiry to answer the question 'What percentage of year 6 children lead an active lifestyle and what type of activity do they do?' Recording data in a bar chart, presenting findings, conclusions and degree of trust in both oral and written forms and use results to ask further questions.
Identifying scientific evidence that has been used to support or refute ideas or arguments	Y6	Evolutio n and	Write a balanced argument for and against evolution to

		inherita nce	explain how scientific ideas have changed over time. OR Design a creature for a chosen habitat with descriptions of adaptations and construct a balanced argument using scientific evidence to support or refute ideas
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