Progression of skills and knowledge: Plants

		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
		Introduction to plants	Plant growth	Plant reproduction
бі	Plant structure and function	 To know a variety of common plants, and how they differ. To know that deciduous trees lose their leaves seasonally, but evergreen trees do not. To know the basic structure (including leaves, flowers (blossom), petals, fruit, roots, bulb, seed, trunk, branches, stem) of a variety of common plants, including flowering plants and trees. 		 To understand the functions of the basic parts of a plant and the relationship between structure and function. To know that water is transported within a plant from the root, through the stem, to the leaves.
Scientific Knowledge and Understanding	Plant growth and needs	To begin to understand how plants grow and change over time.	 To know that seeds and bulbs grow into seedlings by producing roots and shoots. To know that seedlings grow into mature plants by developing parts, that may include stems/trunks, leaves, flowers and fruits. To know that seeds need water to germinate. To know that plants need water, light and a suitable temperature for growth and health. 	 To know that plants need water, light, air, nutrients/fertilizer and a suitable temperature for growth and health. To understand that the needs for growth and health vary from plant to plant.
	Plant life cycle			 To know the life cycle of a plant from seed to mature plant. To know that flowers are the reproductive organ of a plant. To know that the process of pollination is the transfer of pollen to the female (part of the) flower. To know that the process of seed formation is the growth of a seed after pollination/fertilisation. To know some different methods of seed dispersal and the benefits of each.

Progression of skills and knowledge: Animals, including humans

		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
		Sensitive bodies Comparing animals	Life cycles and health	Movement and nutrition
Scientific knowledge and understanding	Animal growth	 To know a variety of common animals (including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals). 	 To understand how living things change, and that animals have offspring that grow into adults. To know which offspring comes from which parent animal. To know the stages in some animal life cycles. 	
	Animal structure and function	 To know the main body parts of common animals (arms, legs, wings, tails, fins, head, trunk, horns/tusks, shell) To know key parts of the human body (including head, neck, arms, elbows, legs, knees, face, ears, eyes, hair, mouth, teeth). To know the five main senses: sight, smell, hearing, taste and touch. To know that eyes are used for sight, the nose is used for smell, ears are used for hearing, the tongue and mouth are used for taste and the skin is used for touch. 		 To know that animals can be grouped based on the presence of a skeleton. To know that the skeleton in humans and some animals is used for movement, protection and support. To know that the muscular system in humans and some animals works with the skeleton for movement. To know the main bones in the body.
	Health and nutrition	To know that a carnivore is an animal that eats other animals and to give some examples. To know that a herbivore is an animal that eats only plants and to give some examples. To know that an omnivore is an animal that eats both animals and plants, and to give some examples.	 To know that animals, including humans, need water, food and air to survive. To understand the importance of exercise, a balanced diet and hygiene for humans. 	 To know that animals, including humans, need the right types and amount of nutrition. To understand that humans cannot make their own food and therefore eat to get the nutrition needed. To know the main food groups (carbohydrates, protein, fats, fibre, vitamins, minerals and water) and their simple functions. To know that a balanced diet should include all food groups. To describe the diets of different animals.

Progression of skills and knowledge: Animals, including humans

			Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
			Digestion and food	Human timeline	Circulation and exercise
<u>б</u> 1	Animal growth			 To describe the human life cycle, including the stages of growth and development (baby, toddler, child, teenager, adult, elderly). To describe changes that occur during puberty (in boys and girls). To know that gestation periods vary across mammals. 	
understanding		•	To know the main organs of the human digestive system (mouth, teeth, tongue, oesophagus, stomach, small and large intestines) and describe their simple functions.		 To know the main parts of the human circulatory system (heart, blood vessels and blood). To know that the heart pumps blood around the
nde	Animal	•	To know the different types of human teeth (incisor,		body.
	structure		canine, premolar and molar) and their simple functions		To know that the blood vessels transport blood
and	and				around the body.
abpa	function				To know that the blood transports vital substances around the body, including oxygen and nutrients.
cientific knowledge					To understand the relationships between different organ systems.
fic		•	To know that teeth can be damaged, including the effect		To understand the impact of diet, exercise, drugs
anti			of sugary and acidic food.		and lifestyle on the way a body functions.
Sci		•	To know that it is important to brush teeth twice a day,		To know that the heart rate is the number of beats
	Health		make good food choices and visit the dentist regularly.		per minute and breathing rate is the number of breaths per minute.
	and	•	To describe the teeth of carnivores and herbivores, and understand why they are different.		To know that exercise increases heart and
	nutrition	•	To know that predators hunt for their food and prey are the animals being hunted.		breathing rates.
		•	To know that producers make their own food.		
		•	To know that food chains begin with a producer followed		
			by consumers, and arrows to show the energy passed on.		

Progression of skills and knowledge: Living things and their habitats

		Year 2	Year 4
		Habitats and microhabitats	Classification and changing habitats
and understanding	Characteristics of living things	To begin to understand some of the life processes, including movement, reproduction, sensitivity, growth, excretion and nutrition. To know the difference between things that are living, dead, and things that have never been alive, using some of the life processes.	 To know that living things can be grouped in different ways. To know that a classification key can be used to group and identify plants and animals. To know that vertebrates are animals which have a backbone and invertebrates are animals which do not have a backbone. To know that plants can be grouped into flowering or non-flowering varieties. To know that flowering plants include grasses and non-flowering plants includes ferns and mosses. To know that there are five main vertebrate groups: birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians and fish. To know that invertebrate groups include snails, slugs, worms, spiders and insects
	Variation and inheritance	To know a variety of plants and animals and describe some differences.	
Scientific knowledge	Habitats and interdependence	 To name a variety of habitats, including woodland, ocean, rainforest and seashore. To know that a habitat is the environment where an animal or plant lives/ grows, because it provides what they need to survive. To know that a micro-habitat is a very small habitat (e.g. stones, logs and leaf litter). To know that living things depend upon each other (e.g. for food, shelter.) To understand that a food chain can be used to show how animals obtain food from eating either plants and/or other animals. 	 To know that habitats can change throughout the year and this can be dangerous for living things. To know that humans can have both a positive and negative impact on the environment.

Progression of skills and knowledge: Living things and their habitats

		Year 5	Year 6
		Life cycles and reproduction	Classifying big and small Evolution and inheritance
anding	Characteristics of living things	•	 To know that 'organism' is a term used to refer to an individual living thing. To know that micro-organisms are incredibly small and cannot usually be seen by the naked eye. To know the characteristics of the different groups of vertebrates and commonly found invertebrates.
fic knowledge and understanding	Variation and inheritance	 To know that a life cycle shows the changes an animal or plant goes through until the reproduction of a new generation when the cycle starts again. To know that all living things must reproduce for the species to survive. To know that sexual reproduction requires two parents, whereas asexual reproduction only requires one parent. To know that there are different processes plants and animals use to reproduce (asexual and sexual reproduction). 	 To know that living things have changed over time. To know that fossils provide us with information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago. To know that characteristics are passed from parents to their offspring, but that all offspring vary from their parents. To know that over time, variation in offspring can affect animals' chances of survival in particular environments.
Scientific	Habitats and interdependence		To know that animals and plants have adapted to suit their environment over many millions of years and that this process can be called evolution.

Progression of skills and knowledge: Materials

		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
		Everyday materials	Uses of everyday materials	Rocks and soil
anding	Identifying and naming	 To know that objects are items or things. To know that a material is what an object is made from. To identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water and rock. 		 To know that rocks can be grouped based on their appearance or properties, (e.g. colour, texture, hardness, permeability.) To know that rocks may contain grains, crystals or fossils. To know that grains and crystals appear differently and can be used to classify rocks. To know that soils are made from rocks and dead matter.
Scientific knowledge and understanding	Properties and uses	 To know that property refers to how a material can be described. To describe the physical properties of a variety of everyday materials. To understand that materials can be grouped based on their physical properties. 	 To know why objects are made from particular materials and to give examples of their suitability. To know that one material can be used for a range of purposes (and to give examples.) To know that different materials can be used for the same purpose (and to give examples.) To know why certain materials are unsuitable for particular objects. 	To understand the relationship between the properties of rocks and their uses.
	Change		 To know that a force must be applied to change the shape of a solid object. To know that solid objects can be squashed, bent, twisted or stretched. To know that different solid objects may take a different amount of force to change shape. 	 To know that fossils can form from the remains of living things. To know that rocks can change over time (e.g. erosion, weathering).

Progression of skills and knowledge: Materials

		Year 4	Year 5
		States of matter	Mixtures and separation Properties and changes
	Characteristics of living things	To know that all substances around us can exist as solids, liquids and gases.	
understanding	Variation and inheritance	 To know that a property of a solid is that it keeps its shape unless a force is applied to it. To know that a property of a liquid can flow freely and take on the shape of a container. To know that a property of a gas does not have a fixed shape and can escape from an unsealed container. 	To describe a broader range of materials and their properties, including hardness, solubility, transparency, conductivity and response to magnets.
Scientific knowledge and ur	Habitats and interdependence	 To know that heating causes solids to turn into liquids (melting) and liquids to turn into gases (evaporating). To know that cooling causes gases to turn into liquids (condensing) and liquids to turn into solids (freezing). To know that water can exist as a solid, a liquid or a gas. To know that the melting point of water is zero degrees Celsius and the boiling point of water is 100 degrees Celsius. To know that water flows around the world in a continuous process called the water cycle. To know that in the water cycle, evaporation is when bodies of water are heated and turn into water vapour. To know that in the water cycle, condensation is the process of water vapour cooling to form water droplets in clouds, which can result in precipitation. To know that the rate of evaporation increases as temperature rises. 	 To know that some substances will dissolve in a liquid to form a solution. To know the factors that affect the time taken to dissolve, including temperature and stirring. To understand that dissolving, mixing and changes of state are reversible changes. To know that some liquids and solids can be separated using sieving, filtering and evaporation and to describe these processes. To understand that some changes result in the formation of new materials and that these are usually irreversible. (e.g. burning, rusting, the action of acid on bicarbonate of soda.)

Progression of skills and knowledge: Energy

		Lie	ght	Sound
		Year 3	Year 6	Year 4
		Light and shadows	Light and reflection	Sound and vibrations
	Sources	 To know that light travels from a source (e.g. the Sun, light bulbs and torches). To know that light is needed to see things and that dark is the absence of light. To know that light from the Sun can be dangerous and how to protect their eyes. 	 To know that light travels in a straight line from a light source. To understand that luminous objects are seen as a result of light directly entering the eye, whereas non-luminous objects reflect light into the eye. 	To understand that sound is a result of vibrations.
Scientific knowledge and understanding	Transfer	To know that all materials reflect light. To know that shadows are formed when the light from a light source is blocked by an opaque object.	 To know that shiny surfaces reflect light uniformly. To know that when light is reflected off a surface, its direction changes. To know that mirrors and periscopes work using reflection of light on smooth surfaces. To understand why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them as a result of light travelling in straight lines. To understand relationships between light sources, objects and shadows 	 To know that vibrations from sounds travel through mediums to the ear. To know that an insulating material reduces the amount of vibrations that pass through it and this can be used to protect the ears from damaging sounds. To know that different materials provide different amounts of insulation against sound.
Scientific	Factors affecting energy	 To know that shadows change position and length throughout the day as the Sun changes position in the sky. To know that shadows change as a result of different factors: Changing the position of the light source. Changing the distances between the light source, object and surface. 	 To understand how and why the distance between the object and the screen affects the size of the shadow. To understand how the angle of a reflected ray is affected by the angle of the incoming ray on a smooth surface. 	 To know a variety of ways to change the pitch or volume of a sound. To know that quicker vibrations cause higher-pitched sounds and slower vibrations cause lower-pitched sounds. To know that stronger vibrations cause louder sounds and weaker vibrations cause quieter sounds. To know that sounds get fainter as the distance from the sound source increases.

Progression of skills and knowledge: Energy

		Elect	ricity
		Year 4	Year 6
		Electricity and circuits	Circuits, batteries, and switches
nding	Sources	 To know that all electrical appliances need a power source, including batteries or mains electricity. To know that an electrical circuit needs a complete path for the electrical charge to flow through. To know the main components in a simple series circuit. To know the precautions for working safely with electricity. 	 To know a wider variety of components in a series circuit (including buzzer and motor). To know the conventions used to draw circuit diagrams, including the recognised symbols for common components and using straight lines.
Scientific knowledge and understanding	Transfer	 To know that some materials allow electrical charge to pass through them quickly and these are known as electrical conductors (e.g. metals). To know that some materials do not allow electrical charge to pass through them easily and these are known as electrical insulators (e.g wood and plastic). To know that metals are used for cables and wires because they are good conductors of electricity. To know that plastic is used to cover cables and wires because it is a good insulator. 	
Scien	Factors affecting energy	 To understand that an open switch breaks a series circuit so the components will be off. To understand that a closed switch completes a series circuit so the components will be on. To understand the relationship between bulb brightness and the number of bulbs in a circuit. 	To know that the voltage of a circuit can be changed and how this affects bulb brightness (or buzzer volume).

Progression of skills and knowledge: Forces, Earth and Space

		Year 1	Year 6
		Seasonal changes	Earth and space
d understanding	Key facts	 To know the name and order of the four seasons; spring, summer, autumn and winter. To know that it is unsafe to look directly at the Sun. 	 To know that the Sun is a star at the centre of our solar system. To know that the Sun, Earth and Moon are approximately spherical bodies. To know the names, order and relative positions of the planets and other main celestial bodies. To know that a moon is a celestial body that orbits a planet and give examples of moons that orbit other planets.
Scientific knowledge and	Forces in motion	 To know weather associated with the four seasons and how it changes (in the UK). To understand that day length varies across the four seasons, with fewer daylight hours in the winter and more in the summer. 	 To know that the Earth and other planets orbit around the Sun. To know that the tilt of the Earth and its orbit around the Sun causes the seasons. To know that the Moon orbits around the Earth. To understand how the Earth's rotation causes day and night and the apparent movement of the Sun across the sky.
Scie	Factors affecting forces		

Progression of skills and knowledge: Forces, Earth and Space

		Year 3	Year 5
		Forces and magnets	Imbalanced forces
ıd understanding	Key facts	 To know some examples of contact and non-contact forces. To know that some forces are a result of contact between two surfaces, but some forces can act at a distance (e.g. magnetism). To know the North and South poles of a magnet. To know some examples of magnetic materials, including iron and nickel, and how they react to a magnet and each other. To know some different examples of magnets, including bar, horseshoe, button and ring, To know some uses of magnets 	 To know that the Sun is a star at the centre of our solar system. To know that the Sun, Earth and Moon are approximately spherical bodies. To know the names, order and relative positions of the planets and other main celestial bodies. To know that a moon is a celestial body that orbits a planet and give examples of moons that orbit other planets.
Scientific knowledge and	Forces in motion	 To know that friction is a contact force that acts between two surfaces to slow an object down. To know that magnetism is a non-contact force that affects objects containing magnetic metal. To understand that the opposite poles of a magnet attract one another and like poles repel one another. 	 To know that the Earth and other planets orbit around the Sun. To know that the tilt of the Earth and its orbit around the Sun causes the seasons. To know that the Moon orbits around the Earth. To understand how the Earth's rotation causes day and night and the apparent movement of the Sun across the sky.
Scier	Factors affecting forces	 To know that rougher surfaces have more friction between them than smoother surfaces. To understand that the strength of different magnets may vary. 	 To know that rougher surfaces have more friction between them than smoother surfaces and how that may affect movement. To know that the larger the surface area of an object the greater the air or water resistance it creates.

Progression of skills and knowledge: Working Scientifically

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Ye	ar 5	Year 6
Posing questions			 Beginning to raise further questions during the enquiry process. Considering what makes a testable question. Beginning to recognise that there are different types of enquiry and that they are suitable for different questions. Beginning to make suggestions about how different questions could be answered. 		 Raising questions throughout the enquiry process. Identifying testable questions. Selecting the most appropriate enquiry method to answer questions and give justification. 		
Planning	 Beginning to recogn With support, deciding observations are suited Ordering a simple mean 	table.	 Beginning to select frequency variables will be chared controlled. Suggesting what obselect how long to make the Planning a simple mewriting. Beginning to write a numbered steps. Selecting and beginn 	om options which aged, measured and ervations to make and em for. thod, verbally and in	•	 observations to make and how long to mak them for. Writing a method including detail about how to ensure control variables are kept the same. Writing a method that considers reliability by planning repeated readings. 	
Predicting	Suggesting what mig justifying with perso		 Making predictions about what they think will happen by: Using scientific knowledge and/or personal experience to explain their prediction (because) Beginning to consider cause and effect when making predictions, where appropriate. Predicting a trend by considering how the changing variable will affect the measured variable. (The smoother the surface, the longer the distance the car will travel) 		•	 Using previous scient evidence to inform the Using scientific lang potential outcome or something will happe 	eir predictions. uage to describe a explain why they think

Progression of skills and knowledge: Working Scientifically

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Observing (qualitative data)	Using their senses to describe, in simple terms, what they notice or what has changed.		Using their senses to describe, in more detail and with simple scientific vocabulary, what they notice or what has changed.		Using their senses to describe, in detail and with a broader range of scientific vocabulary, what they notice or what has changed.		
Measuring (quantitative data)	 compare. Beginning to use star and compare. Beginning to use simple to make approximate 	 Deginning to use standard units to measure and compare. Beginning to use simple measuring equipment to make approximate measurements. 		 Using standard units to measure and compare. Using measuring equipment with increasing accuracy. Reading scales with unmarked intervals between numbers. 		 Using standard units to measure and compare with increasing precision (decimals). Reading a wider variety of scales with unmarked intervals between numbers. 	
Researching	Gathering specific inf simplified, specified s		 Gathering specific info of sources 	rmation from a variety	Gathering answers from a variety of	s to open-ended questions sources	
Recording (diagrams)	Drawing and labelling	g simple diagrams	Using some standDrawing in 2D to diagrams.	re scientific diagrams by: ard symbols. produce simple line re scientific vocabulary.	Drawing with incrLabelling with a byocabulary.	ge of standard symbols.	
Recording (tables)	 Using a prepared tabe including: Numbers. Simple observations. Tally frequency. 		 Using a prepared table including more detailers. Using tables with more Identifying and addiners. Beginning to design signs. 	d observations. e than two columns. g headings to tables.	repeat readings.Suggesting headingDesigning results to	columns that allow for ags to tables, including units. cables with increasing a consideration of variables ean average.	
Grouping and classifying	 Grouping based on vi Organising questions classification key. 		 Grouping based on vision measurable properties Populating a pre-prepounder key. Choosing appropriate classification keys. 	ared branching and	 Organising the lay branching keys. 	ader range of contexts. Yout of number and Opriate questions for	

Progression of skills and knowledge: Working Scientifically

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Graphing	Representing data using pictograms and block charts.		 Representing data using bar charts. Drawing bars with greater accuracy. Reading the value of bars with greater accuracy. 		 Representing data by using line graphs and scatter graphs. Plotting points with greater accuracy. Reading the value of plotted points with greater accuracy. 	
Analysing and drawing conclusions	Beginning to recognis	answer simple questions. se when results or natch their predictions.	 have affected another Beginning to quote rerelationships. Identifying data that (anomalous data). Recognising when resent mot match their predictions. 	vocabulary. how one variable may sults as evidence of does not fit a pattern ults or observations do	 one variable may hav Quoting relevant data relationships. Identifyidata and excluding re Comparing individual, to the prediction and not match. 	nplex scientific asing independence how e affected another.
Evaluating	Beginning to recognis not.	e whether a test is fair or	 need changing and sure of the property of the propert	which variables were I suggesting how to new questions that would egree of trust by ot fit a pattern	control and suggesting better. Commenting on the direflecting on: - Accuracy (human - Reliability (repeati - Sources of inform books). Posing new questions that would extend the	riables were difficult to g how to control them egree of trust by also error with equipment). ing results). ation (e.g. websites, in response to the data

Progression of skills and knowledge: Science in Action

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6			
To know about for	To know about famous scientists throughout history.							
To know about a	• To know about a range of jobs and careers that use scientific knowledge and methods.							
To know about the work of modern-day scientists.								
• To know about science in the news and recent discoveries.								
To know there ar	To know there are spiritual, moral, social and cultural links with Science.							
		To know about the methods and equipment used by scientists throughout history and how these have led to modern methods.						
		• To know how scientific knowledge has changed over time, leading to the current understanding of Science.						
		To know about current scientific research and what it aims to achieve in the future.						
		To know that mistakes can lead to new discoveries.						
		• To know that collaboration and peer reviewing is essential for effective scientific progress.						
				To know how scientific or refute ideas or argum	evidence is used to support tents.			