SCIENCE CURRICULUM



| Lake Class: Reception Understanding the World | | | |
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| Lower Woodford Class: Year One | | | |
| Seasonal changes (On-going) Observe tree changing/local environment changing throughout the year. Make items to add to class season tree in book corner as the seasons change. Welly walks once a term - signs of autumn spotter sheet, seeds. Shadow length once a term. Weather. Observe changes in our class garden. | Seasonal changes (On-going) Observe tree changing/local environment changing throughout the year. Make items to add to class season tree in book corner as the seasons change. Welly walks once a term, winter, buds. Shadow length once a term. Weather. Observe changes in our class garden. Grow vegetables. | Seasonal changes (On-going) Observe tree changing/local environment changing throughout the year. Make items to add to class season tree in book corner as the seasons change. Welly walks once a term, signs of summer. Shadow length once a term. Weather. Observe changes in our class garden. Grow vegetables/sunflowers. | |
| Terms 1 and 2 Materials Distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made Identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, and rock Describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials Compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties. | Terms 3 and 4 Animals including humans Describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals, including pets). Link to vets role play corner and wild animals within our local environment. Identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense. | Terms 5 and 6PlantsIdentify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees (cover elements of this throughout year in Welly walks). Leaf hunt - explore leaf shapes, patterns and sizes - grouping by similar characteristics.Identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees. Taking plants apart and labelling. Fair test and observational experiments set to explore the function of different parts of the plants | |

| Netton Class: Year Two | | |
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| Terms 1 and 2 Animals including humans. Notice that animals have offspring which grow into adults, find out about the basic needs of animals, describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene. Link to visiting Mars and becoming an astronaut. | Term 3 Uses of everyday materials Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials. e.g. what would be best to make a suit of armour from? Find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed. | Term 5 and 6 Living things and their habitat Explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead and never been alive. Identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants and how they depend on each other. Linked to habitats in school. |
| | Term 4 Plants linked to the beanstalk. Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy. Wilsford Class: Year Three | Describe how animals obtain their food from plants and other animals, using the idea of a simple food chain, and identify and name different sources of food. |
| Term 1 Light Recognise that they need light in order to see things and that dark is the absence of light. Notice that light is reflected from surfaces recognise that light from the sun can be dangerous and that there are ways to protect their eyes. Recognise that shadows are formed when the light from a light source is blocked by an opaque object. Find patterns in the way that the size of shadows change. | Term 3 Animals including humans (Nutrition) Identify that animals, including humans, need the right types and amount of nutrition, and that they cannot make their own food; they get nutrition from what they eat. | Term 5 Plants Identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers. Explore the requirements of plants for life and growth (air, light, water, nutrients from soil, and room to grow) and how they vary from plant to plant. Investigate the way in which water is transported within plants. Explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering. plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal. |

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| Term 2 | Term 4 | Term 6 |
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| Rocks | Forces and magnets | Animals including humans |
| Compare and group together | Compare how things move on | Identify that humans and some other |
| different kinds of rocks on the basis | different surfaces. | animals have skeletons and muscles |
| of their appearance and simple | Notice that some forces need contact | for support, protection and |
| physical properties. | between two objects, but magnetic | movement. |
| Describe in simple terms how fossils | forces can act at a distance | (Pre historic skeletons and how they |
| are formed when things that have | Observe how magnets attract or | help archaeologists explain the past.) |
| lived are trapped within rock. | repel each other and attract some | |
| Recognise that soils are made from | materials and not others. | |
| rocks and organic matter. | Compare and group together a | |
| | variety of everyday materials on the | |
| | basis of whether they are attracted | |
| | to a magnet, and identify some | |
| | magnetic materials | |
| | Describe magnets as having two | |
| | poles. | |
| | Predict whether two magnets will | |
| | attract or repel each other, | |
| | depending on which poles are facing | |
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Durnford Class: Year Four

| Term 1 | Terms 3 and 4 | Term 5 |
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| Animals including humans | States of matter | Electricity |
| Describe the simple functions of the | Compare and group materials | Identify common appliances that run |
| basic parts of the digestive system in | together, according to whether they | on electricity. |
| humans. | are solids, liquids or gases. | Construct a simple series electrical |
| Identify the different types of teeth | Observe that some materials change | circuit, identifying and naming its |
| in humans and their simple | state when they are heated or | basic parts, including cells, wires, |
| functions. | cooled, and measure or research the | bulbs, switches and buzzers. |
| Construct and interpret a variety of | temperature at which this happens | Identify whether or not a lamp will |
| food chains, identifying producers, | in degrees Celsius. | light in a simple series circuit, based |
| predators and prey. | Identify the part played by | on whether or not the lamp is part of |
| | evaporation and condensation in the | a complete loop with a battery. |
| | water cycle and associate the rate of | Recognise that a switch opens and |
| | evaporation with temperature (link | closes a circuit and associate this |
| | to topic work). | with whether or not a lamp lights in |
| | | a simple series circuit. |
| | | Recognise some common conductors |
| | | and insulators, and associate metals |
| | | with being good conductors. |
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| Term 2 Living things and their habitats Recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways. Explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment. - Recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things. | | Term 6 Sound Identify how sounds are made, associating some of them with something vibrating. Recognise that vibrations from sounds travel through a medium to the ear. Find patterns between the pitch of a sound and features of the object that produces it. Find patterns between the volume of a sound and the strength of the vibrations that produced it. Recognise that sounds get fainter as the distance from the sound source increases. |
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| | Upper Woodford: Year Five | |
| Terms 1 and 2 Properties and Changes 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. | Term 3 Earth and Space 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. | Term 5 Living things and their habitats Describe the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird. Describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals. |
| | Term 4 Forces 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 resistance and friction that act between moving surfaces. Recognise that some mechanisms including levers, pulleys and gears allow a smaller force to have a greater effect. | Term 6 Animals, including humans Describe the changes as humans develop to old age. |

| Salterton: Year 6 | | |
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| Term 1 Light Recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines. Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye. Explain that we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to objects and then to our eyes. Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them. | Terms 3 and 4 Evolution and Inheritance Recognise that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago. Recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind, but normally offspring vary and are not identical to their parents. Identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and that adaptation may lead to evolution. | Term 5 Living things and their habitats Describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro-organisms, plants and animals. Give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics. |
| Term 2 Electricity Associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit. Compare and give reasons for variations in how components function, including the brightness of bulbs, the loudness of buzzers and the on/off position of switches. Use recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram. | | Term 6 Animals including humans Identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood. Recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function. Describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans. |