

Science progression for Year 2 at Probus Primary School

Green-Key Stage One Blue-Year 2

National Curriculum objectives: In this unit, children will be taught to:

Working Scientifically:



Plants

- P1 observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants
- P2 find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.

Animals including Humans

- AH1 notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults including lifecycles for tadpoles, caterpillars etc
- AH2 find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air)
- AH3 describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene.

Uses of Everyday Materials

- EM1 identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses
- EM2 find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.

Living Things and their Habitats

- LH1 explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead, and things that have never been alive and relate to manmade or natural
- LH2 identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited
- LH3 describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants, and how they depend on each other
- LH4 identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including micro-habitats
- LH5 describe how animals obtain their food from plants and other animals
- LH6 understand a simple food chain, and identify and name different sources of food.

Pupils will be taught to use the following practical scientific methods, processes and skills:

WS1 asking simple questions and recognising that they can be answered in different ways

- Ask questions about how and why things change
- Ask questions about how and why things are similar or different
- Ask questions about how things are and the way they work
- Ask questions to find out what people do and how things work
- Ask questions about why and how things are linked

WS2 observing closely, using simple equipment (hand lenses/egg timers) and measurement

- Use non-standard units and simple equipment to record changes
- Sequence the changes

WS3 performing simple tests

- Use non-standard units and simple equipment to record data
- Suggest ways in which a test can be carried out
- Suggest ways in which to record tests
- Understand why a test should be fair

WS4 identifying and classifying

- Decide what to observe to identify or sort things
- Sort objects by observable and behavioural features

WS5 using their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions

- Use my records to help sort or identify other things
- Talk about whether the information source was useful

WS6 gathering, recording and communicating data and findings to help in answering questions.

- Use simple books and electronic media to find things out
- Begin to use scientific language to talk about what you have found out
- Record in words or pictures or in simple prepared formats such as tables and / or charts
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WS7 use scientific language and read and spell age-appropriate scientific vocabulary

- Begin to use scientific language to talk about how things are similar or different
- Use vocabulary related to the topic

WS8 begin to notice patterns and relationships.

- Use non-standard units and simple equipment to record events that might be related
- Begin to use scientific language to talk about patterns
- Talk about whether the pattern was as expected

