Science Year Planner Year 4

Term	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic or Stand- Alone?	Stand-Alone (Links to Music)	Topic: Titanic (Links to History - Morse Code) 2 x SLDs	Stand-Alone	Stand-Alone 2 x SLDs	Topic: The Amazon
Enquiry Questions:	How are sounds made?	How can you make a light bulb light up?	Why do we eat? How long is the digestive system?	Does temperature affect the rate of evaporation?	How are living things classified? What is the impact of deforestation?
Science Knowledge NC Focus	Sound Unit	Electricity Unit	Animals Inc. Humans Unit	States of Matter Unit	Living Things and Habitats Unit
Working Scientifically NC Focus:	 making systematic and careful observations and, where appropriate, taking accurate measurements using standard units, using a range of equipment, identifying differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes. 	 asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them. setting up simple practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests. gathering, recording, and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions. 	 making systematic and careful observations recording findings using simple scientific language, labelled diagrams, setting up simple practical enquiries, 	 setting up simple practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests. making systematic and careful observations and, where appropriate, taking accurate measurements using standard units, using a range of equipment, including thermometers and data loggers. gathering, recording, and presenting data in a variety of ways to 	 classifying and presenting data in to help in answering questions. recording findings using simple scientific language, keys, reporting on findings from enquiries, written explanations, displays of results and conclusions.

		 recording findings using simple scientific language, labelled diagrams, and tables. using results to draw simple conclusions, 		 help in answering questions. recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, bar charts, and tables. using results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further questions. identifying differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes. using straightforward scientific evidence to 	
				answer questions or to support their findings.	
Sequence of Lessons	This is learnt through an additional non-fiction Shared Reading approach. Once the chn have covered a theme, they then carry it out practically in their	Through 2 x SLD: 1 = How do you make a light bulb light up? Investigate using electrical equipment.	L1 = Name and label the types of teeth in humans. L2 = Understand the simple functions of the	Through 2 x SLD: 1 = Revisit: Definition of a material. Which of these are not materials? 2 = Heating and cooling	L1 = How are living things classified? Recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways.
	Music lesson. L1 = How a sound is made. What a	2 = Predict what this is? Give the chn a buzzer to add to their circuit.	different types of human teeth. L3 = Oral hygiene.	demonstrations. 3 = Practical Investigation: What is the best temperature for melting	L2 = Explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living

	vibration is and what sound waves are. L2 = How we hear. The journey of a sound wave into our ear. Learn scientific body parts within the ear. Touch on being deaf / Evelyn Glennie. L3 = Pitch – Low/High frequency L4 = Volume – How louder sounds carry more energy. Introduction to decibels for how we measure sounds. L5 = How distance can affect how we hear sounds.	3 = How does a switch work? 4 = Identify common appliances that run on electricity. Why do we have switches? How can we save electricity? How does this help the environment? 5 = Common conductors and insulators investigation. Do all materials conduct electricity?	L4 = Name and label the basic parts of the digestive system in humans. How long is the digestive system? Can they link in teeth knowledge from last week? L5 = Understand the functions of the basic parts of the digestive system.	chocolate? (Skill = Using a thermometer) 4 = Theory based learning on States of Matter: Solids, Liquids + Gases. Draw on knowledge from parts 1-3 too. 5 = Shared Reading Text - The Rhythm of the Rain to recap the Water Cycle. How does it link to States of Matter? 6 = Evaporation - Practical experiments. 7 = Condensation - Practical demonstrations. 8 = Make their own mini water cycles to see the parts in action. 9 = Practical Investigation: Does temperature affect the rate of evaporation? (Link in data loggers and statistics.)	things in our school meadow. (Record findings) and then in the classroom compare for the wider environment. L3 = What is the impact of deforestation? Recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things. Link in with English Unit on Persuasive Letter Writing. (Display!)
Vocabulary:	sound vibrate/vibration sound waves ear hear / deaf volume – loud/soft	appliances electricity insulators conductors electrical circuit cell	canine molar pre-molar wisdom teeth incisor dental hygiene	material solid/solidify ice melt freeze liquid evaporate / evaporation condense / condensation	deforestation development population dangers environment

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		buzzer	decay	gas	flowering
pit	tch – low/high	switch	digestion	container	mosses
•	_	danger	tongue	changing state	ferns
	<u> </u>	Morse code	salvia	heated	grasses
tur	ning fork		oesophagus	cooled	vertebrate
pir	nna		stomach	water vapour	invertebrate
ec	ar canal	question	small intestine	·	fish
ec	ardrum	practical enquiry	large intestine		amphibians
OSS	ssicles	fair test	rectum	syringe	reptiles
co	ochlear	comparative test	anus	data logger	birds
ne	erves	gather		standard unit of measure	mammals
bro	rain	record		degrees Celsius °C	
		present	systematic observations	thermometer	
ob		data	scientific language	systematic/careful	classification
		scientific language	labelled diagram	observations	key
		labelled diagram	practical enquiry	practical enquiry	group
		results	demonstration	fair test	present data
		table		comparative test	results
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dif	fferences			record	written explanation
				present	
				data	
				tables .	
				bar charts	
				conclusion	
				prediction	
				scientific idea	
				scientific process	
				differences	
				similarities	

Additional Non-Fiction Reading:





