Science Progression Grid



	F1	F2	Y1	Y2
Skills	Ask questions Demonstrate curiosity about the world around them.	Ask questions Demonstrate curiosity about the world around them.	Ask questions Ask simple questions stimulated by their exploration of their world.	Ask questions Ask simple questions about their experiences and observations and with support use these observations to suggest ways to discover an answer or
	Make predictions With support & prompting talk about what they think might happen based on their own experiences. Decide how to carry out an	Make predictions With support & prompting talk about what they think might happen based on their own experiences.	Make predictions Respond to suggestions to connect what has been observed with possible further actions or observations.	solve a problem, recognising that some can be answered in a variety of ways. Make predictions Use their observations and ideas to make predictions. Use understanding of what has been observed or own
	enquiry Respond to prompts to say what happened to objects, living things or events. Make measurements Use senses and simple equipment to explore the world around	Decide how to carry out an enquiry Perform simple tests to explore a question or idea suggested to them, with support.	Decide how to carry out an enquiry Perform simple tests to explore a question or idea suggested to them. Make measurements	experience to predict outcomes of further actions or observations. Decide how to carry out an enquiry Identify things to measure or observe that are relevant to the questions or ideas they are investigating using a simple test. Suggest a practical way of how to find things out, or collect data to answer a
	them, e.g. binoculars, magnifying glasses and magnets. Record data Begin to record their ideas e.g. Contribute to a drawing, photograph or labels modelled by an adult. Present data	Make measurements Observe objects, living things, events and the world around them closely, using their senses and simple equipment. With support, begin to make measurements using nonstandard units of measure. Record data	observe objects, living things, events and the world around them closely, using their senses and simple equipment. Make measurements of make using non-fameasure. Record data Present findings in simple templates provided for them or labelled diagrams, orally, and the world around them closely, using their senses and simple equipment. Make measurements of measure. Record data Question or idea they are Make measurements Observe closely and use e provided for observation and correctly. Make measurements standard and standard units of measure. Record data Record findings as drawing labelled diagrams, orally, and the world around them closely, using their senses and simple equipment. Make measurements correctly. Make measurements standard and standard units of measure.	question or idea they are investigating Make measurements Observe closely and use equipment provided for observation and measuring correctly. Make measurements using non- standard and standard units of measure. Record data Record findings as drawings, photographs, labelled diagrams, orally, as displays or in
	With support & prompting talk to an adult about what has been found/found out.	Begin to record their ideas e.g. draw or photograph evidence and label with support. Present data	orally. Draw or photograph evidence and label. Present data Use simple templates provided to help them answer questions.	simple prepared tables or charts. Present data Gather and record data in appropriate ways with increasing independence to help in answering questions. Answer questions using data

Answer questions using data With support, begin to explain why some things occur.

Draw conclusions

With support, talk about what they have found out or what they think might happen next.

Talk to an adult about what has been found/found out.

Answer questions using data

With support, explain why some things occur.

Draw conclusions

With support, talk about what they have found out or what they think might happen next/ change based on their own experiences.

Answer questions using data

Respond to suggestions to connect what has been observed with possible further actions or observations.

Draw conclusions

Use their ideas to suggest answers to questions. Say what has changed when observing objects, living things or events.

Use understanding of what has been observed or own experience/ideas to answer questions.

Draw conclusions

Respond to suggestions to identify some evidence needed to answer a question.

Knowledge

Explore how things work.
Understand concepts of growth, change and decay with natural materials.

How to plant seeds and care for growing plants.

Understand the key features of the life cycle of a plant and an animal.

Begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things. Use all their senses in hands-on exploration of natural materials. Explore collections of materials with similar and/or different properties.

Explore the natural world around them.

How we care for the natural world around us.

How to draw pictures of the natural world, including animals and plants.

Identify and describe some natural processes, such as ice melting, a sound causing a vibration, light travelling through transparent material, an object casting a shadow, a magnet attracting an object and a boat floating on water.

Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside e.g. identify familiar plants and animals

Animals, including humans

Identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals Identify and name a variety of common animals that are

common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores

Describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals, including pets)
Identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human

Animals, including humans

Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults Find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air)

Describe the importance for humans of

Describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene.

Plants

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.

Everyday materials and their uses

Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including

1	Talk about the differences	Understand the effect of	body and say which part of the	wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock,
,	between materials and changes	changing seasons on the natural	body is associated with each	paper and cardboard for particular uses.
ļ	they notice.	world around them	sense.	Find out how the shapes of solid objects
	Explore and talk about different	e.g. weather, seasonal features	Plants	made from some materials can be
	forces they can feel.	and how animals behave	Identify and name a variety of	changed by squashing, bending, twisting
	,	differently as the seasons change.	common wild and garden	and stretching.
			plants, including deciduous and	Living things and their habitats
			evergreen trees	Explore and compare the differences
			Identify and describe the basic	between things that are living, dead, and
			structure of a variety of	things that have never been alive.
			common flowering plants,	Identify that most living things live in
			including trees.	habitats to which they are suited and
			Everyday materials	describe how different habitats provide
			Distinguish between an object	for the basic needs of different kinds of
			and the material from which it	animals and plants, and how they depend
			is made	on each other
			Identify and name a variety of	Identify and name a variety of plants and
			everyday materials, including	animals in their habitats, including micro-
			wood, plastic, glass, metal,	habitats
			water, and rock.	Describe how animals obtain their food
			Describe the simple physical	from plants and other animals, using the
			properties of a variety of	idea of a simple food chain, and identify
			everyday materials	and name different sources of food.
			Compare and group together a	
			variety of everyday materials on	
			the basis of their simple	
			physical properties.	
			Seasonal changes	
			Observe changes across the	
			four seasons	
			Observe and describe weather	
			associated with the seasons and	
			how day length varies.	

Vocabulary

Natural world

Natural, grow, change, decay, **Animals**

Life-cycle hen, chick, egg, baby **Plants**

Bark, leaves, seeds, rocks, pebbles, shells,

Materials and Processes

Object, material,

Properties - Waterproof, strong/weak, dense/less dense, hard/soft.

Materials - Bubble wrap, foil, plastic, fabric, paper, straw, sticks, bricks, metal, glass.
Magnifying glass, binoculars, magnet,
Sink, float, push, pull, stretch, bend, snap,
Cooking, cooling, heating, melting,
Light, dark, shadows,

Natural world

Natural, wild, wildlife, native. **Animals**

Body parts e.g. backbone, skeleton, soft body, shell. Predator, prev.

Nocturnal. Adult/parent, baby. Lifecycle - Egg, caterpillar, pupa, butterfly. Birds (owl, duck), insects/bugs/ minibeasts (e.g. ladybird, woodlouse, bee, wasp, spider, tarantula, earthworm, snail, locust, cricket, millipede, butterfly, caterpillar), fish, reptiles (snake, tortoise, gecko), amphibians, mammals (mouse, shrew, vole, hare, fox).

Plants

Grow, Lifecycle - roots, shoots, stem, leaves, buds, flower Water, light, warmth, temperature, soil, compost British Autumn fruits and vegetables (e.g. apples, pears, beetroot, carrots, potatoes, butternut squash, sweetcorn, cauliflower).

Materials and processes

Ice – melting, Sound – vibrations, light/dark, transparent, shadow, magnet, attract, repel, float, sink Bread - Mix, knead, prove, rise.

Animals, including humans

Examples of mammals, fish, reptiles, birds and amphibians.

Carnivore, herbivore, omnivore. Head, neck, arms, elbows, legs, knees, face, ears, nose, eyes, hair, mouth, teeth, hands, sense, seeing, hearing, touching tasting, smelling.

Plants

Deciduous and evergreen trees and examples of these common to Britain (e.g. oak, ash, sycamore, horse chestnut, elder, pine, hawthorn, holly, yew, lime, cherry, birch, beech, willow).

Examples of common British plants, e.g. daffodil, primrose, bluebell, tulip, snowdrop, dandelion, crocus, rose, wild garlic, cow parsley, foxglove, ivy, buttercup, poppy, lavender. Bulb, roots, stem, leaves, flower (blossom), petals, fruit, roots, seeds, trunk, branches, stem Tally

Species

Everyday materials

Object, material, properties Wood, plastic, glass, paper, water, metal, rock, brick, fabric, elastic, foil, rubber, wool, clay, cardboard

Animals, including humans

Survival, water, air, food, Reproduction, growth, adult, baby, offspring, kitten, calf, puppy Exercise, balanced diet (food groups) hygiene

Plants

Water, light, temperature, growth Germination, reproduction, healthy

Everyday materials and their uses

Wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper, cardboard. Properties Translucent Squashing, bending, twisting, stretching,

Living things and their habitats

Living, dead
Habitat, microhabitat, woodland,
seashore, ocean, pond, desert, rainforest
Energy, food chain, predator, prey

		Weather and seasons - Spring (growth, baby animals) - Summer - Autumn (Harvest) - Winter - Sun, rain, wind, snow, ice, frost, sleet, hail. - Cold/warm/hot Day length, day light. Adapted, hibernate, migrate.	Hard/soft, bendy/not bendy, rough/bumpy/smooth, stretchy/ squashy/brittle/stiff/rigid, shiny/ dull, waterproof/not waterproof, absorbent/not absorbent, opaque/transparent, absorbent Seasonal changes Spring, Summer, Autumn, Winter, equinox, sun, sunrise, day, light Moon, sunset, night, dark Weather, wet, dry, wind Temperature, hot, cold, thermometer, degrees Celsius	
Books	We're Going on a Bear Hunt (habitats) Jasper's Beanstalk (growing) Three Little Pigs (materials) The Very Hungry Caterpillar (lifecycles) Squirrel's Autumn Search One Snowy Night	The Gruffalo (habitats) Leaf man Percy the Park keeper. It starts with a seed – Webber Knowles Ferdy and the falling leaves – Julia Rawlinson Rosie's Walk Farmer Duck Mr Gumpy's outing	It starts with a seed Tiny seed A first book of nature Seasons come, seasons go Can't you sleep little bear	Jack and the Beanstalk
Resources	Interesting natural environments for children to explore outdoors. Collections of natural materials to investigate and talk about. E.g. contrasting pieces of bark, different types of leaves and seeds, different types of rocks, different shells and pebbles from the beach.	Plants and mini-beasts in outdoor environment. Collections of materials e.g Bubble wrap, foil, plastic, fabric, paper, straw, sticks, bricks, metal, glass. Seeds and bulbs so children observe growth and decay over time.	Plants in and around school (wild and garden flowers, trees in woodland) Seeds and beans, Bean diary. Weather station Small world animals Life-cycle jigsaws Everyday materials Magnifying glasses Egg timers	Plants in and around school (wild and garden flowers, trees in woodland) Seeds and bulbs Everyday materials Magnifying glasses Egg timers

Seeds and bulbs so children	Equipment to support these	
observe growth and decay over	investigations e.g. magnifying	
time e.g. observe an apple core	glasses or a tablet with a	
going brown and mouldy over	magnifying app.	
time.	Mechanical equipment for	
Help children to care for animals	children to play with and	
and take part in first-hand	investigate e.g. wind-up toys,	
scientific explorations of animal	pulleys, sets of cogs with pegs	
life cycles, such as caterpillars or	and boards.	
chick eggs.		
Equipment to support these		
investigations e.g. magnifying		
glasses or a tablet with a		
magnifying app.		
Mechanical equipment for		
children to play with and		
investigate e.g. wind-up toys,		
pulleys, sets of cogs with pegs		
and boards.		