Year 1 Science Curriculum at Upton Heath

	Autumi	n Term	Spring	Term	Summer Term		
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2	
Overview	Animals, inclu	ding humans	Everyday	Materials	Plants (summer 1+2)	Seasons (taught throughout year *)	
Suggested Content	Understand the parts of the body Associate parts of the body with different senses Explore the sense of touch using different parts of the body Make close observations of facial features Compare different parts of the body both between people and over time	Name and identify common animals Describe the structures of different animals Compare the structures of different animals Classify animals based on their features Understand the features of fish, amphibians, reptiles and birds Group animals as fish, amphibians, reptiles and birds Identify what different animals eat Classify animals as carnivores, herbivores and omnivores	Name a variety of every plastic, wood, metal, Understand which mate Consider and experin creating a Identify and name ma	ject and how it is made aday materials including glass, water and rock erials can be recycled (3) ment with materials for n umbrella aterials based on their erties foam changes over time	Examine seeds in an apple Visit and examine a variety of local trees over time Find weeds and examine their roots Identify and name plants in the school grounds Note changes in growth of a sunflower Experiment with different types of compost Collect and sort leaves	Compare leaves on the ground and on the trees Describe leaves and their structure Use senses to describe a leaf Compare leaf loss and tree size Measure rainfall at different points in the year (5) Describe weather over a short period of time Describe weather in different the seasons (4) Observe how day length varies Understand why animals hibernate *unit runs throughout the year	
Observing over time	How does my height ch	ange over the year?(1)	What happens to shavir	ng foam over time?	How does my sunflower change each week?		
Pattern seeking					Is there a pattern in where we find weeds growing in the school grounds?	Do trees with bigger leaves lose their leaves first in autumn?	
Research			Which materials ca	an be recycled?			
Identifying & classifying	How can we organise a	ll the zoo animals?	Making an umbrella – waterpr		How can we sort the leaves that we collected on our walk?	How would you group these things based on which season you are most likely to see them in?	
Comparative tests	Is our sense of smell bette	r when we can't see?	Which materials are th	e most absorbent?	Which type of compost grows the tallest sunflower?	In which season does it rain the most?	

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Overview	Animals, including humans	Living Things and their Habitats	Uses of Everyda	ay Materials	Pla	nts
Suggested Content	Sort and classify different types of food Design a meal based on knowledge of healthy eating Choose a physical activity and evaluate the impact on their bodies Understand the importance of hygiene for humans (2) Investigate and how germs spread through contact Write a set of instructions for how to wash your hands Match animals to their offspring (4) Human life cycle Observe tadpoles as they grow (1)	Explore and compare the difference between living and dead things (4) Identify things that have never lived Take a survey to compare animals in two habitats (2) Research to compare two different habitats (3) Describe the features of a habitat that are suitable for woodlouse growth (1) Create a simple food chain	Examine and investiga Describe the properties Identify and describe the materials for pa Explore how paper chan (1) Investigate how mate	of everyday materials e suitability of everday articular uses uges when left in water	a plo Know that plants no Know plants need Know plants need a s. surv. Compare	ow from a seed/bulb into unt ⁽¹⁾ eed water to survive (light to survive ⁽⁵⁾ uitable temperature to ive ⁽⁵⁾ the growth sized seeds ⁽²⁾
Observing over time	How does a tadpole change over time? (1)		Would a paper boat flo	oat forever? (1)	What happens to my bea	
Pattern seeking	Can people with bigger hands pick up more?	What conditions do woodlice prefer to live in? (1)			Do bigger into bigger	_
Research		How does the habitat of the artic compare to the habitat of the rainforest?	How are plasti	ics made? (3)	How can we identify the trees that we observed our tree hunt? (5)	
Identifying & classifying	Which offspring belongs to which animal? (4)	How would you group things to show which are living, dead or have never been alive? (4)	Which materials are shiny ar	nd which are dull?		
Comparative tests			Which materials are waterpr	roof? ⁽⁵⁾	Do cress seeds grow quie	cker inside or outside? (5)

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Overview	Animals, including humans	Rocks	Forces and M	agnets	Plants	Light
Suggested Content	Examine the structure of a skeleton (2) Describe the functions of a skeleton Examine how skeletons vary between animals (4) Describe how muscles and bones work together Compare strengths of muscles (6) Investigate voluntary and involuntary muscles Learn how to care for our bones	Understand what rocks are and how they can be classified Examine how rocks change (1) Understand what fossils are and the legacy of Mary Anning (3) Classify fossils by type Explain how fossils are formed Examine different types of soils and understand what it is made up of Examine absorption of different types of soil (5) (6)	Undertake experiments of different Understand how one n Create a temp Find out how magne	to measure the strengths magnets (2)(5) magnet reacts to another orary magnet (1) tts are used in real-life attions	Understand what a plant needs for growth (5) Describe the function of roots (1) Describe the function of the stem (6) Describe the function of leaves Describe the function of flowers Understand the life cycle of a plant Compare how plants disperse their seeds (3)	Examine different sources of light (3) Examine how light changes in our classroom over time (1a) (1b) Understand how light allows us to see different objects Experiment with how light travels through different materials Vary the position, shape and size of a shadow (6) Understand the dangers of light and how you can protect yourself from them Examine different types of mirrors
Observing over time	investigation to effect of sugary drinks on teeth	How does tumbling change a rock over time?			What happens to celery when it is left in a glass of coloured water? (1)	When is our classroom the darkest? (1a)
Pattern seeking	Can people with longer femurs jump further?		Does the size and shape of is? (2)	a magnet affect how strong it		
Research	How much sugar is in my drink?		Who was Mary discover? (3)	Anning and what did she	What are all the different ways that seeds disperse?	How does the Sun make light?
Identifying & classifying	How Can we group the food that we eat?	Can you use an identical key to find the name of each rock in your collection?	Which materials are magnetic? (4)			How would you sort these light sources into natural and artificial?
Comparative tests		Which soil absorbs the most water? (5)	Which magnet i	s the strongest? (5)	Which conditions help seeds germinate faster?	
Fair Tests		How does adding different amounts of sand to soil affect how quickly water drains through it? (How does the length of the carnation stem affect how long it takes for the food colouring to dye the petals? (6)	How does the distance between the shadow puppet and the screen affect the size of the shadow? (6)

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Overview	Living Things and their Habitats	Animals, including humans	States of Matter	Electricity	Sound	
Suggested Content	Recognise different ways animals can be grouped Classify animals using classification keys ⁽⁴⁾ Add animals to a classification key ⁽³⁾	Identify types of teeth in humans (4b) Describe the functions of different teeth types Compare teeth between carnivores and herbivores Examine tooth decay (1) Describe how teeth should be cared for (3) Understand the purpose of the digestive system Describe the functions of the parts of the digestive system (4a) Examine and describe a food chain Construct a food chain Construct a food chain using provided information	Examine features of the three states of matter Classify materials and objects by state of matter Investigate how quickly solids melt (2) Find out if all liquids freeze at the same temperature (5) Investigate evaporation pace (6) (1) Understand condensation Examine how water changes state in nature	Identify and group appliances that run on electricity (4) Construct simple series cells using common electrical parts Identify whether a lamp will light in a circuit Investigate whether materials are conductors or insulators or electricity (5) Examine the thickness of a conductor on the brightness of a bulb (6) Investigate battery life	Investigate the volume of sound at different points in the day (1) Explore how sounds are made by vibrations Explore how sounds travel through different objects (5) Investigate how sounds change with distance from the source (6a) Find patterns between the volume of a sound and the strength of the vibrations it produces Explore how the pitch of an object can be changed(6b)	
Observing over time			How does the level of water in a glass change when left on the windowsill? (1)	How long does a battery light a torch for? (1)	When is our classroom the quietest? (1)	
Pattern seeking			Is there a pattern in how long it takes different sized ice lollies to melt?		Is there a link between how loud it is in school and the time of day?	
Research	Can we find other animals to add complexity to our classification key? ⁽³⁾	How do dentists fix broken teeth? (3)			uny.	
Identifying & classifying	identifying native and non-native animals	What are the names for all the organs involved in the digestive system? (4a) How can we organiser our teeth into groups? (4b))	How would you group these electrical devices based on where the electricity comes from?		
Comparative tests		g F**	Do all liquids freeze at the same temperature?	Which material is the best conductor of electricity? (5)	Which material is best to use for muffling sound in ear defenders? (5)	
Fair Tests			How does the surface area of a container of water affect how long it takes to evaporate? (6)	How does the thickness of a conducting material affect how bright the lamp is? (6)	How does the volume of a drum change as you move further away from it? (6a) How does the length of a guitar string/tuning fork affect the pitch of the sound? (6b)	

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Overview	Animals, including humans	Forces	Earth and Sp	ace	Properties and Changes of Materials	Living Things and their Habitats
Suggested Content	Identify all stages in the human life cycle (4) Understand changes which happen during adolescence Compare growth by both age and gender (2) (5) Describe changes that happen as humans develop to old age Investigate how age affects a human's reaction time (6) Examine gestation in a variety of animals	Understand what a force is and how it can affect an object Investigate friction caused by different materials Investigate whether the mass of an object affects how quickly it falls to the ground Explore the effects of air resistance (5) Understand the effects of water resistance and up-thrust (2)(6) Explain how simple levers work	Describe the movemen the solar. Compare key features. solar sys. Describe how our kno system has change Explain why day a Investigate how st throughout Identify and order the phe moon	system If the planets in the em (2) wledge of the solar and over time (3) and night occur adows change the day uses in the cycle of the	Consolidate our knowledge of state of matter Classify materials based on their conductivity Understand and explain how simple solutions are made Investigate how the temperature of water affects how much sugar can be dissolved? (6) Investigate which type of sugar dissolves the fastest (5) Examine how a container of salt changes over time (1a) Utilise evaporation as a method for separation of a solution Make informed decisions about how to separate solutions and mixtures Understand that some changed can be reversed whilst others cannot	Research about a famous naturalist (3) Order the life cycle of a house fly Seek patterns in life cycles of different animals (4) Classify and group animals based on their life cycles Grow plants from parts of a parent plant (1) -Investigate the impact of a habitat on the hatching of brine shrimp (6)
Observing over time			How does shadow length of	hange over the day? (1)	How does a container of saltwater change over time?	How does a bean change as it germinates?
Pattern seeking	Is there a pattern between a mammals size and its gestation period?		Is there a pattern betwee and the time it takes the sun? (2)	to travel around		
Research			Who were Galileo Galilei and			Can you explain the work of David Attenborough? (3)
Identifying & classifying	What are the differences between the life cycle of an insect and a mammal? (4)	Can you label and name all the forces acting on the objects in each of these situations? (4)	Can you observe and identify of the moon? (4)	all the phases in the cycle	С	Can you identify all the stages in the human life cycle? (4)
Comparative tests		Which shape parachute takes the longest to fall?	How does the length of daylight season?	hours change in each	Which type of sugar dissolves the fastest? (5	
Fair Tests	How does age affect a human's reaction time?	How does the surface area of a container affect the time it takes to sink?			How does the temperature of tea affect how long it takes for a sugar cube to dissolve? ⁽⁶⁾	

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Overview	Light	Animals, including humans	Living thin their habitat		Electricity	Evolution and Inheritance
Suggested Content	Examine brightness over the day in different locations (2) Explore the reflectiveness of materials (4) Understand that light travels in straight lines Predict light direction using mirrors (6) Investigate shadow length and understand how shadow size can be altered Explore the shapes of shadows of different objects Experiment with light refraction (4)	Describe the respiratory system (6) Understand the impact of smoking on the lungs Describe the circulatory system (4) Describe how the heart pumps blood around the body (1) Examine the effects of exercise on the pulse (5) Explain the impact of a poor diet on the circulatory system			Understand how static electricity is created Investigate the creation of static electricity Understand how the understanding of electricity developed (3) Investigate resistance in bulbs (5a) (6) Measure amplitude from different energy sources (5b)	Understand how animals are adapted to their environment (4b) Explain the discoveries of Charles Darwin (3) (4a) Describe how variations become adaptations (2) Describe types of fossils Understand the evidence for evolution Detail the process of fosillisation Explain how selective breeding in animals is utilised
Observing over time	regraction	How does my heart rate change over the day? (1)	What happens to a piece of br the windowsill for two weeks			
Pattern seeking	Is there a pattern to how bright it is in school over the day? Is it the same in every classroom? (2)					Is there a pattern between the size and shape of a bird's beak and the food it will eat?
Research			Who was carl L	innaeus?	How has our understanding of electricity changed over time? (3)	What happened when Charles Darwin visited the Galapagos islands? ⁽³⁾
Identifying & classifying	Can you identify all the colours of light that make white light when mixed together? What colours do you get if you mix different colours of light together?	Which organs of the body make up the circulatory system and where are they found? ⁽⁴⁾				Compare the skeletons of apes, humans and Neanderthals(^{4a)} How are certain animals adapted to their environments? ^(4b)
Comparative tests	Which material is most reflective? (5)	Which types of exercise has the greatest effect on our heart rate? (5)			Which make of battery lasts the longest? ^(5a)	
Fair Tests	Can shadows change shape?	How does the length of time we exercise effect our heart rate?			How does the voltage of the batteries in a circuit affect the brightness of the lamp? ⁽⁶⁾	