

## Year 6 Science Curriculum Overview and Objectives

<u>Autumn 1</u>	<u>Autumn 2</u>	<u>Spring 1</u>	<u>Spring 2</u>	<u>Summer 1</u>	<u>Summer 2</u>
<p><b>Electricity</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit.</li> <li>• 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.</li> <li>• Use recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Light</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines.</li> <li>• 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.</li> <li>• Explain that we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes by from light sources to objects and then to our eyes.</li> <li>• Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Animals and humans</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pupils should be taught to:</li> <li>• Identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood.</li> <li>• Recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function.</li> <li>• Describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans</li> </ul>	<p><b>Living things and their habitats</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and difference, including micro-organisms, plants and animals.</li> <li>• Give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Evolution and inheritance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recognise that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago.</li> <li>• Recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind, but normally offspring vary and are not identical to their parents.</li> <li>• Identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and that adaptation may lead to evolution.</li> </ul>	

### Year 5/6 Ongoing Working Scientifically skills

- planning different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary
- taking measurements, using a range of scientific equipment, with increasing accuracy and precision, taking repeat readings when appropriate
- recording data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs
- using test results to make predictions to set up further comparative and fair tests
- reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and a degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations identifying scientific evidence that has been used to support or refute ideas or arguments