EYFS Science Curriculum Overview

Advent 1	Advent 2	Lent 1	Lent 2	Pentecost 1	Pentecost 2
Topic 1: Me and my	Topic 1: Let's go	Topic 1: Changes in	Topic 1: Watch it grow	Topic 1: From city to	Topic 1: Happy and
small world	outside	Winter	Birth to 5 Matters:	sea	healthy
Birth to 5 Matters:	Birth to 5 Matters:	Birth to 5 Matters:	 Range 5 - Developing 	Birth to 5 Matters:	Birth to 5 Matters:
• Range 5 - Comments	 Looks closely at 	 Talks about the 	an understanding of	• Range 5 – Begin to	· Range 6 (Physical
and asks questions about	similarities, differences,	features of their own	growth, decay and	understand the effect	Development: Health and
aspects of their familiar	patterns and change in	immediate environment	changes over time	their behaviour can have	self-care)
world such as the place	nature	and how environments	· Range 6 - Looks closely	on the environment	- Eats a healthy range of
where they live	Characteristics of a	might vary from one	at similarities,	• Range 6 – Talks about	foodstuffs and
or the natural world	scientist:	another	differences, patterns	the features of their	understands
• Range 6 - Knows about	 Children concentrate 	 Makes observations of 	and change in nature	own immediate	need for variety in food
similarities and	and keep on trying if	animals and plants and	Characteristics of a	environment and how	- Describes physical
differences in relation	they encounter	explains why some things	scientist:	environments might vary	changes to the body
to places, objects,	difficulties.	occur, and talks about	 Enjoy achievements 	from one another	that can occur
materials and living	 Collect simple 	changes	 Make observations 	Characteristics of a	when feeling unwell,
things	information and mark	Characteristics of a	using simple equipment	scientist:	anxious, tired, angry or
Characteristics of a	make.	scientist:	ELG:	 Ask 'how' and 'why' 	sad
scientist:	ELG:	 Children investigate 	Explore the natural	questions	Characteristics of a
 Make links between 	Understand some	and experience things	world around them,	 Make links between 	scientist:
ideas	important processes and	 Notices similarities, 	making observations and	ideas	 Children concentrate
 Identify, sort and 	changes in the natural	difference and changes	drawing	ELG:	and keep on trying if
group	world around them,	ELG:	pictures of animals and	Know some similarities	they encounter
ELG:	including the seasons	Know some similarities	plants.	and differences between	difficulties
Know some similarities	and changing states of	and differences between	Key vocabulary:	the natural world around	 Talk about what they
and differences between	matter	the natural world around	plant grow root stem	them and contrasting	have done and found out
the natural world around	Key vocabulary:	them and contrasting	beanstalk compost worm	environments, drawing	ELG:
them and contrasting	mud grass water ice tree	environments, drawing	soil seed leaf caterpillar	on their experiences and	Manage their own basic
environments, drawing	leaf sticky rough smooth	on their experiences and	chrysalis butterfly petal	what	hygiene and personal
on their experiences and	wet soft hard cold dry	what	flower bean shoot	has been read in class.	needs, including
what	rainy cloudy sunny windy	has been read in class.	wormery pot trowel	Key vocabulary:	dressing, going to
has been read in class.	snowy weather autumn	Key vocabulary:	water	sea ocean city same	the toilet and
Key vocabulary:		winter cold warm freeze		different road building	understanding the
animal farm horse pig	Topic 2: What's	frozen melt ice rainy	Topic 2: Animal	car pollution animal	importance of healthy
cow sheep body head	changed?	sunny frosty snowy	detectives	seaweed sand water rock	food choices.

arms hands mouth teeth legs feet field sty barn stable coop

Topic 2: What's in my basket?

Birth to 5 Matters:

- · Range 5 Talks about why things happen and how
- things work · Range 6 - Knows about
- similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things

Characteristics of a scientist:

- Explore and test own ideas
- · Children investigate and experience things ELG:

Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions

Key vocabulary:

fruit vegetable size big little large small rough spiky smooth colour seed heavy light

Birth to 5 Matters:

- · Range 5 Talks about why things happen and how things work
- · Range 6 Knows about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things Characteristics of a scientist:
- Children investigate and experience things.
- · Talk about what they have done and found out. ELG:

Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them. including the seasons and changing states of matter

Key vocabulary:

melt changed same different hard soft runny hot cold warm burn mix wet dry heat fire cool

Topic 3: Night and day Birth to 5 Matters:

• Range 5 - Comments and asks questions about aspects of their familiar world such as the place

water leaves tree change hibernate hedgehog polar, polar bear penguin fur

Topic 2: Let it flow Birth to 5 Matters:

· Knows about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things

Characteristics of a scientist:

- · Children have and develop their own ideas
- · Makes attempts to solve problems ELG:

Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them. including the seasons and changing states of matter

Key vocabulary:

water wet dry flow float sink sand mud container pour fill full empty mix large, small, tall wide shallow deep heavy

Topic 3: From desert to jungle

Birth to 5 Matters:

Birth to 5 Matters:

- · Range 5 Shows care and concern for living things and the environment
- · Range 6 Makes observations of animals and plants and explains why some things occur, and talks about changes Characteristics of a scientist:
- · Make links between ideas
- · Observe and suggest an answer to a question ELG:

Know some similarities

and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class. Key vocabulary: animal scales feathers fur feet legs tail wings head beak snake bird pigeon magpie sort mouse frog toad cat dog fox

Topic 3: Pushes and pulls

Birth to 5 Matters:

shell village coast plastic litter helpful harmful

Topic 2: Look all around Birth to 5 Matters:

- Range 5 Comments and asks questions about aspects of their familiar world such as the place where they live or the natural world
- · Range 6 Talks about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another

Characteristics of a scientist:

- Children investigate and experience things
- · Shows curiosity using their senses

ELG:

Explore the natural world around them. making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants.

Key vocabulary:

summer change same different tree plant leaf flower grass building school road house weather sunny rainy

Key vocabulary:

fruit vegetables food choice picnic doctor nurse exercise sometimes tired sport help well unwell feeling every day active body hot warm cool Foundations for Year

· Animals including humans

Topic 2: Our wonderful world

Birth to 5 Matters:

- Range 5
- Shows care and concern for living things and the environment
- Begin to understand the effect their behaviour can have on the environment

Characteristics of a scientist:

- · Enjoy achievements
- · Ask questions to find out more

ELG:

Give focused attention to what the teacher says, responding appropriately even when engaged in activity, and

Topic 3: Senses

Birth to 5 Matters:

 Knows about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things

Characteristics of a scientist:

- · Have a go
- · Shows curiosity using their senses

ELG:

Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them. including the seasons and changing states of matter

Key vocabulary:

smell touch see hear taste nose skin eyes ears mouth tongue hands face head feel sound sight sense

where they live or the natural world

- · Range 6 Makes observations of animals and plants and explains why some things occur and talks about changes Characteristics of a scientist:
- · Develop strategies for doing things.
- · Ask questions to find out more.

ELG:

Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them. including the seasons and changing states of matter

Key vocabulary:

animal nocturnal owl badger fox hedgehog bat stars moon sun night light day shadow torch daylight asleep awake evening morning dark

- · Talks about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another
- Makes observations of animals and plants and explains why some things occur, and talks about changes

Characteristics of a scientist:

- · Make links between ideas
- · Identify, sort and group

ELG:

Explore the natural world around them. making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants.

Key vocabulary:

warm hot sandy sunny dry wet rainy jungle desert tiger zebra giraffe monkey ostrich elephant lion snake camel frog lizard scorpion

- · Range 5 Talks about why things happen and how things work
- · Range 6 Knows about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things

Characteristics of a scientist:

- · Develop strategies for doing things
- · Explore and test their own ideas

ELG:

Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them. including the seasons and changing states of matter

Key vocabulary:

push pull surface rough smooth bumpy ramp roll slide high low down up move start stop magnet attract repel stretch spin

cloudy windy animal warm cold

Topic 3: Test it out! Birth to 5 Matters:

- Range 5 Comments and asks questions about aspects of their familiar world such as the place where they live or the natural world
- · Range 6 Knows about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living thinas

Characteristics of a scientist:

- · Children have and develop their own ideas
- · Makes attempts to solve problems

ELG:

Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them. including the seasons and changing states of matter

Key vocabulary:

test material object best worst fabric cardboard water plastic metal hard soft wet heavy build sort thick

show an ability to follow instructions involving several ideas or actions.

Key vocabulary:

litter tidy mess recycle rubbish bin dirty clean sort plastic paper cardboard metal glass plant flower garden bee minibeast butterfly wildlife

Topic 3: We're going on an animal hunt

Birth to 5 Matters:

- · Range 5 Shows care and concern for living things and the environment
- · Range 6 Makes observations of animals and plants and explains why some things occur, and talks about changes

Characteristics of a scientist:

- · Develop strategies for doing things
- · Record what they notice

ELG:

Explore the natural world around them. making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants Key vocabulary:

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