

Science KS2 Curriculum Pack : Year 3 to Year 6

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	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term
Year 3	Rocks, Fossils and Soils	Light and Shadow	How Plants Grow	Health and Movement	Forces and Magnets
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Year 3 Objectives	How Plants Grow	Forces and Magnets	Rocks, Fossils and Soils	Light and Shadow	Health and Movement
asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them					
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, classifying and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions					
recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables					
reporting on findings from enquiries, including oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and conclusions					
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					
identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers					
explore the requirements of plants for life and growth (air, light, water, nutrients from soil, and room to grow) and how they vary from plant to plant					
investigate the way in which water is transported within plants					
explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal					
identify that animals, including humans, need the right types and amount of nutrition, and that they cannot make their own food; they get nutrition from what they eat					
identify that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement					
compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties					
describe in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock					
recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter					
recognise that they need light in order to see things and that dark is the absence of light					
notice that light is reflected from surfaces					
recognise that light from the sun can be dangerous and that there are ways to protect their eyes					
recognise that shadows are formed when the light from a light source is blocked by an opaque object					
find patterns in the way that the size of shadows change					
compare how things move on different surfaces					
notice that some forces need contact between two objects, but magnetic forces can act at a distance					
observe how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others					
compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of whether they are attracted to a magnet, and identify some magnetic materials					
describe magnets as having two poles					
predict whether two magnets will attract or repel each other, depending on which poles are facing					

Year 3 | Overview Objectives

How Plants Grow

- asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them
- 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, classifying and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions
- recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables
- reporting on findings from enquiries, including oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and conclusions
- 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
- identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers
- explore the requirements of plants for life and growth (air, light, water, nutrients from soil, and room to grow) and how they vary from plant to plant
- investigate the way in which water is transported within plants
- explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal

Forces and Magnets

- asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them
- 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
- recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables
- reporting on findings from enquiries, including oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and conclusions
- using results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further questions
- using straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or to support their findings
- compare how things move on different surfaces
- notice that some forces need contact between two objects, but magnetic forces can act at a distance
- observe how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others
- compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of whether they are attracted to a magnet, and identify some magnetic materials
- describe magnets as having two poles
- predict whether two magnets will attract or repel each other, depending on which poles are facing

Year 3 | Overview Objectives

Rocks, Fossils and Soils

- 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, classifying and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions
- reporting on findings from enquiries, including oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and conclusions
- using results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further questions
- using straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or to support their findings
- compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties
- describe in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock
- recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter

Light and Shadow

- 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, classifying and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions
- recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables
- reporting on findings from enquiries, including oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and conclusions
- using straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or to support their findings
- recognise that they need light in order to see things and that dark is the absence of light
- notice that light is reflected from surfaces
- recognise that light from the sun can be dangerous and that there are ways to protect their eyes
- recognise that shadows are formed when the light from a light source is blocked by a solid object
- find patterns in the way that the size of shadows change

Health and Movement

- asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them
- gathering, recording, classifying and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions
- recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables
- reporting on findings from enquiries, including oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and conclusions
- identifying differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes
- identify that animals, including humans, need the right types and amount of nutrition, and that they cannot make their own food; they get nutrition from what they eat
- identify that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement

Science Objectives | KS2 | Year 4 | Curriculum Pack



Year 4 Objectives	Living In Envrionments	Eating and Digestion	States of Matter	Changing Sound	Circuits and Conductors
asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them					
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, classifying and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions					
recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables					
reporting on findings from enquiries, including oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and conclusions					
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					
recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways					
explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment					
recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things					
describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans					
identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions					
construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey					
compare and group materials together, according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases					
observe that some materials change state when they are heated or cooled, and measure or research the temperature at which this happens in degrees Celsius (°C)					
identify the part played by evaporation and condensation in the water cycle and associate the rate of evaporation with temperature					
identify how sounds are made, associating some of them with something vibrating					
recognise that vibrations from sounds travel through a medium to the ear					
find patterns between the pitch of a sound and features of the object that produced it					
find patterns between the volume of a sound and the strength of the vibrations that produced it					
recognise that sounds get fainter as the distance from the sound source increases					
identify common appliances that run on electricity					
construct a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts, including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers					
identify whether or not a lamp will light in a simple series circuit, based on whether or not the lamp is part of a complete loop with a battery					
recognise that a switch opens and closes a circuit and associate this with whether or not a lamp lights in a simple series circuit					
recognise some common conductors and insulators, and associate metals with being good conductors					

Year 4 | Overview Objectives

Living in Environments

- 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, classifying and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions
- recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables
- identifying differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes
- recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways
- explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment
- recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things

Eating and Digestion

- asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them
- setting up simple practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests
- recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables
- reporting on findings from enquiries, including oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and conclusions
- identifying differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes
- using straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or to support their findings
- describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans
- identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions
- construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey

States of Matter

- asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them
- setting up simple practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests
- gathering, recording, classifying and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions
- recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables
- reporting on findings from enquiries, including oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and conclusions
- using results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further questions
- using straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or to support their findings
- compare and group materials together, according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases
- observe that some materials change state when they are heated or cooled, and measure or research the temperature at which this happens in degrees Celsius (°C)
- identify the part played by evaporation and condensation in the water cycle and associate the rate of evaporation with temperature

Year 4 | Overview Objectives

Changing Sound

- asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them
- 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, classifying and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions
- recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables
- using results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further questions
- using straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or to support their findings
- identify how sounds are made, associating some of them with something vibrating
- recognise that vibrations from sounds travel through a medium to the ear
- find patterns between the pitch of a sound and features of the object that produced it
- find patterns between the volume of a sound and the strength of the vibrations that produced it
- recognise that sounds get fainter as the distance from the sound source increases

Circuits and Conductors

- asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them
- 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
- recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, 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
- identify common appliances that run on electricity
- construct a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts, including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers
- identify whether or not a lamp will light in a simple series circuit, based on whether or not the lamp is part of a complete loop with a battery
- recognise that a switch opens and closes a circuit and associate this with whether or not a lamp lights in a simple series circuit
- recognise some common conductors and insulators, and associate metals with being good conductors

Year 5 Objectives	Changes and Reproduction	Properties and Changes of Materials	Earth and Space	Forces in Action	Life Cycles
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 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					
describe the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird					
describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals					
describe the changes as humans develop to old age					
compare and group together everyday materials on the basis of their properties, including their hardness, solubility, transparency, conductivity (electrical and thermal), and response to magnets					
know that some materials will dissolve in liquid to form a solution, and describe how to recover a substance from a solution					
use knowledge of solids, liquids and gases to decide how mixtures might be separated, including through filtering, sieving and evaporating					
give reasons, based on evidence from comparative and fair tests, for the particular uses of everyday materials, including metals, wood and plastic					
demonstrate that dissolving, mixing and changes of state are reversible changes					
explain that some changes result in the formation of new materials, and that this kind of change is not usually reversible, including changes associated with burning and the action of acid on bicarbonate of soda					
describe the movement of the Earth, and other planets, relative to the Sun in the solar system					
describe the movement of the Moon relative to the Earth					
describe the Sun, Earth and Moon as approximately spherical bodies					
use the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night and the apparent movement of the sun across the sky					
explain that unsupported objects fall towards the Earth because of the force of gravity acting between the Earth and the falling object					
identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction, that act between moving surfaces					
recognise that some mechanisms, including levers, pulleys and gears, allow a smaller force to have a greater effect					

Year 5 | Overview Objectives

Changes and Reproduction

- 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 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
- describe the changes as humans develop to old age

Properties and Changes of Materials

- planning different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary
- reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations
- know that some materials will dissolve in liquid to form a solution, and describe how to recover a substance from a solution
- use knowledge of solids, liquids and gases to decide how mixtures might be separated, including through filtering, sieving and evaporating
- give reasons, based on evidence from comparative and fair tests, for the particular uses of everyday materials, including metals, wood and plastic
- demonstrate that dissolving, mixing and changes of state are reversible changes
- explain that some changes result in the formation of new materials, and that this kind of change is not usually reversible, including changes associated with burning and the action of acid on bicarbonate of soda

Earth and Space

- recording data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs
- describe the movement of the Earth, and other planets, relative to the Sun in the solar system
- describe the movement of the Moon relative to the Earth
- describe the Sun, Earth and Moon as approximately spherical bodies
- use the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night and the apparent movement of the sun across the sky

Year 5 | Overview Objectives

Forces in Action

- 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
- reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations
- explain that unsupported objects fall towards the Earth because of the force of gravity acting between the Earth and the falling object
- identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction, that act between moving surfaces
- recognise that some mechanisms, including levers, pulleys and gears, allow a smaller force to have a greater effect

Life Cycles

- 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
- reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and 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
- describe the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird
- describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals

Year 6 Objectives	Classifying Organisms	Healthy Bodies	Evolution and Inheritance	Seeing Light	Changing Circuits
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 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					
describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including microorganisms, plants and animals					
give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics					
identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood					
recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function					
describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans					
recognise that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago					
recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind, but normally offspring vary and are not identical to their parents					
identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and that adaptation may lead to evolution					
recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines					
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					
explain that we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to objects and then to our eyes					
use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them.					
associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit					
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					
use recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram					

Year 6 | Overview Objectives

Classifying Organisms

- planning different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary
- recording data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs
- reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations
- describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro-organisms, plants and animals
- give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics

Healthy Bodies

- 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
- reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and 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
- identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood
- recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function
- describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans

Evolution and Inheritance

- recording data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs
- reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and 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
- recognise that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago
- recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind, but normally offspring vary and are not identical to their parents
- identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and that adaptation may lead to evolution

Year 6 | Overview Objectives

Seeing Light

- planning different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary
- recording data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs
- reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations
- describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro-organisms, plants and animals
- give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics

Changing Circuits

- 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
- reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and 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
- identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood
- recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function
- describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans