



Updated July 2021			Subject E	ssential Knowle	dge		
Embedding our		Curricular Goal	: Know how scie	ence can help u	s to understan	d the world	
learning culture							
			Component 1	: Working Scie	ntifically		
Learning to Live	Reception Essential Knowledge	Year 1 Essential Knowledge	Year 2 Essential Knowledge	Year 3 Essential Knowledge	Year 4 Essential Knowledge	Year 5 Essential Knowledge	Year 6 Essential Knowledge
Living to Love	Learn new vocabulary  Ask questions to find out more and to check what has been said to them  Articulate their ideas	-Identify and classify  -Use his/her observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions  -Gather and record	- Identify, group and classify -Use his/her observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions	-Report on findings from enquiries, including oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and	- Ask relevant questions and use different types of scientific enquiries to answer them	-Plan different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and	- Identify scientific evidence that has been used to support or refute ideas or arguments -Describe and
Loving to Learn	and thoughts in well-formed sentences.  Describe events in some detail.  Use talk to work out problems and	data to help in answering questions	noticing similarities, differences and patterns - Gather and record data to help in answering	results and conclusions  -Use results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values,	-Set up simple, practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests.  -Make careful observations, take accurate	controlling variables where necessary  -Take measurements, using a range of scientific equipment, with	evaluate their own and other people's scientific ideas related to topics in the NC (including ideas that have

organise thinking and	questions	suggest	measurements,	increasing	changed over
activities. Explain how	including from	improvements	use a range of	accuracy and	time) using
things work and why	secondary	and raise	equipment	precision, taking	evidence from a
they might happen.	sources	further	including	repeat readings	range of sources
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Use new vocabulary		questions	Life monieters		-Group and
in different contexts.		-Identify	-Gather, record,	appropriate	classify things
in dinerent contexts.		differences,	classify and	-Record data and	and recognise
		similarities or	present data in	results of	patterns
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		changes related	a variety of	increasing	et alubita a a a
		to simple	ways to help in	complexity using	-Find things out
		scientific ideas	answering	scientific	using a wide
		and processes	questions	diagrams, labels,	range of
		l		classification	secondary
		-Use	-Record findings	keys, tables,	sources of
		straightforward	using simple	scatter graphs,	information Use
		scientific	scientific	bar and line	appropriate
		evidence to	language,	graphs	scientific
		answer	drawings,		language and
		questions or to	labelled	- Use test results	ideas from the
		support his/her	diagrams, keys,	to make	NC to explain,
		findings	bar charts and	predictions to	evaluate and
			tables	set up further	communicate
				comparative and	his/her methods
			-Report on	fair tests.	and findings
			findings from		
			enquiries		
			including oral		
			and written		
			explanations,		
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			conclusions		
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					make predictions, suggest improvement and raise further questions  -Identify similarities, differences or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes  -Use straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or to		
					support his/her findings		
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			Component 2:	Animals includii	ng humans		
	Names of at least 3 animals that would be found in Yorkshire.  Some animals eat plants and some animals eat other animals.	-Group animals according to what they eat -Identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores - Describe and	-Understand that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults  -Describe the basic needs of animals,	-Identify that animals, including humans, need the right types and amount of nutrition, and that they cannot make their own food; they get	-Describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system -Identify different teeth types and know	- Describe the changes as humans develop to old age	-Identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and
	Humans have senses.	compare the structure of a variety	including humans, for	nutrition from what they eat	their simple functions		blood.

Identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body which are associated with the senses (fingers, nose, mouth, head, legs, hand)  We look after our bodies in different ways - staying clean, drinking water and eating our meals.  Babies grow into adults.	of common animals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals, including pets)  - Identify, name and draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense	survival (water, food and air)  -Describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food and hygiene	-Identify that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement	-Construct and interpret food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey		-Recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs, and lifestyle on the way their bodies function.  -Describe the way in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans.
	C	 Component 3: M	  aterials/State	s of Matter		
Objects are made from different materials.  Objects can feel different and be described as hard, soft, rough, smooth.  Explore the natural world around them.	- Distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made  -Identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water and rock  -Describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials	- Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses  -Describe how the shapes of solid objects made from some		-Compare and group materials together  -Observe that some materials change state when they are heated or cooled  -Measure temperature  -Identify the part played by evaporation in	-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	

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	everyday materials	squashing,	the rate of	will dissolve in a	
	on the basis of their	bending,	evaporate with	liquid to form a	
	simple physical	twisting and	temperature	solution, and	
	properties	stretching		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	
				evaporating	
				- Give reasons,	
				based on	
				evidence from	
				comparative and	
				fair tests, for the	
				particular uses	
				of everyday	
				materials,	
				including metals,	
				woods and	
				plastic	

		Comp	oonent 4: Plants		
There are different kinds of plants and trees.  All plants have roots, a stem, flower and petals.  Plants need food and water to survive.  Explore the natural world around them.	-Identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees  -Identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees	-Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants  -Describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy, and describe the impact of changing these	-Identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers  - Explore and describe 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			
	Component 5: Living	•	eir habitats	•	•
Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants.  Recognise some environments that are different to the one in which they live.  Explore the natural world around them.	-Explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead and things that have never been alive  -Identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and	g things and the	-Recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways -Explore and use classification keys to help group Identify and name living things in their environment -Recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers and have an impact on living	-Describe the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird -Describe the life processes of reproduction in some plants and animals	-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.
	plants and how they depend on each other.  -Identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including micro-habitats		things		

		-Describe how			
		animals obtain their food from			
		plants and other			
		animals, using			
		the idea of a			
		simple food			
		chain, and			
		identify and			
		name different			
		sources of food			
		Component 6	: Seasonal Cha	inges	
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throughout the year.	seasons				
This changes your day	300113				
to day life (warm,	-Observe and				
cold, hot, wet, windy)	describe weather				
	associated with the				
Understanding the	seasons and how day length varies				
effect of changing	leligtii varies				
seasons on the					
natural world around					
them.					

Component 7: Forces and magnets	
-Compare how	- Explain that
things move on	unsupported
different	objects fall
surfaces	towards the
	Earth because of
-Notice that	the force of
some forces	gravity acting
need contact	between the
between two	Earth and the
objects, but	falling object
magnetic forces	-Identify the
can act at a	effects of air
distance	resistance, water
	resistance and
-Observe how	friction, that act
magnets attract	between moving
or repel each	surfaces
other and	
attract some	- Recognise that
minerals and	some
not others	mechanisms,
	including levers,
- Compare and	pulleys and
group together	gears, allow a
a variety of	smaller force to
everyday	have a greater
materials on the	effect
basis of whether	
they are	
attracted to a	
magnet, and	
identify some	
magnetic	
materials	
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	-Describe magnets as having two poles  -Predict whether two magnets will attract or repel each other, depending on which poles are facing	
	Component 8: Light	
	-Recognise that he/she needs 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	-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
	ways to protect eyes  -Recognise that shadows are formed when	see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to

	the light from a light source is blocked by a solid object  -Find patterns in the way that the size of shadows change	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
	Component 9: Rocks	
Explore the natural world around them.	- 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	

Component 10	: Earth and Space
	-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

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	Co	omponent 12: E	volution and In	heritance	
			Total and Ell		-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.

Component 13: Sound				
	-Identi sounds made	fy how s are		
	-Recog vibration	nise ons travel		
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