Science Progression Grid - Working Scientifically



EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3-4	Year 4-5	Year 5-6
What do we want children to know and remember? (Vocabulary is shown in bold, minimum learning highlighted in yellow)					
Children know about similarities and	Asking simple questions and recognising	Asking simple questions and	Begin to ask relevant questions and use different types of scientific enquiries to answer them	Continue to ask relevant questions and use different types of scientific enquiries to answer them	Plan different types of scientific enquires to answer questions including and recognising controlling variables where necessary.
differences in relation to materials and living things.	they can be answered in different ways.	recognising they can be answered in different ways.	With some independence, set up simple practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests including: observing changes over time in the local environment across seasons of the year and grouping and classifying and finding things	With greater independence, set up simple practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests including: observing changes over time in the local environment across seasons of the year and grouping and classifying and finding things out	Take measurements, using a range of scientific equipment, with increasing accuracy and precision, taking repeat readings where appropriate.
Talk about the features of the	Observing closely, using simple	Observing closely,	out using a secondary source of information classification keys to identify different plants and animals and noticing/observing patterns.	using a secondary source of information classification keys to identify different plants and animals and noticing/observing patterns.	Record data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables,
immediate environment and how environments	Performing equipmen	using simple equipment. Performing	Making systematic and careful observations and, where appropriate, taking accurate measurements using standard units, using a range of equipment.	Making systematic and careful observations and, where appropriate, taking accurate measurements using standard units, using a range of equipment.	scatter graphs, bar and line graphs. Use test results to make predications to set up further and comparative fair tests.
might vary from one another.	Identifying and classifying.	simple tests. Identifying and	Gathering, recording, classifying and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions	Gathering, recording, classifying and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions	Report and present findings from enquires including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and
Make observations of animals	Using their observations	classifying. Using their	Recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, bar charts, and tables	Recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, bar charts, and tables	degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations.
and plants and explain why some things occur,	suggest an an suggest	observations and ideas to suggest answers to	With some independence, report on findings from enquiries, including oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and conclusions	With greater independence, report on findings from enquiries, including oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and conclusions	Identify scientific evidence that has been used to support or refute ideas or arguments.
and talk about the changes.	Gathering and	questions. Gathering	Begin to use results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further questions	Continue to use results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further	Scientific enquires including: Group and classify things. Carry out comparative and fair tests.
	recording data to help answering questions.	and recording data to help answering	Identifying some differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes	questions Identifying differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes	Observe changes over different periods of time. Draw conclusions based on data and observations. Use evidence to justify ideas. Noticing
		questions.	With support, use straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or to support their findings	With growing independence, use straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or to support their findings	patterns. Finding things out using wider range if secondary sources.