## Russell Hall Primary School – Long Term Planning



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	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Nursery	Use all their senses in hands-on exploration of natural materials  Beginning to talk about what they see, using a wide vocabulary  Begin to talk about what they see, making observations of seasonal changes  Name & identify body parts  Look at key stages of development from birth to adult  Observe & describe in words or actions the effects of physical activity on body	Talk about what they see, using a wide vocabulary  Explore different habitats outdoors, e.g. winter changes  Talk about what they see, using a wide vocabulary  Explore collections of materials with similar and/or different properties  Observe the changes in the seasons and environmental changes in winter	Talk about the differences between materials and changes they notice e.g. cooking, melting, shadows, floating & sinking  Characteristics of liquids & solids e.g. cooking eggs, melting chocolate  Begin to talk about what they see, making observations of seasonal changes	Observe growth over time  Understand the need to respect & care for the natural environment & all living things  To know that most plants start growing from a seed or bulb  To know that all plants need water & light to grow & survive  Observe plants closely through a variety of means e.g. magnifiers & photographs  Use all the senses in hands-on exploration of plants  Understand the key features of the life cycle of a plant  Understand the key features of the life cycle of a butterfly	Explore how things work e.g. pulleys  Explore & talk about different forces they can feel e.g. stretch, snap, rigid, magnetic repulsion, water pushing up when pushing a boat under it	Observe animals closely through a variety of means e.g. magnifiers & photographs  Begin to talk about what they see, making observations of seasonal changes

	Describe what they see, hear & feel whilst outside Observational drawings	Observe how plants and animals behave differently as the seasons change	Observe how plants and animals behave differently as the seasons change	All plants need water, light and warmth to grow and survive	Describe what they see, hear & feel whilst outside Understand the effect of	Express opinions on natural & built environments & opportunities to hear
Reception	of the natural world  Discuss how to care for the living things & their habitats  Observe how plants and animals behave differently as the seasons change  Describe what they see, hear & feel whilst outside  Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them  Describe what they see, hear & feel  Identify different parts of their body & animals  Observe & interact with natural processes, such as a magnet attracting an object	Describe what they see, hear & feel whilst outside  Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them  Observe & interact with natural processes, such as light travelling through transparent material and an object casting a shadow	Describe what they see, hear & feel whilst outside  Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them  Know the effects exercise has on their bodies  Have some understanding of growth and change  Observe & interact with natural processes, such as ice melting	A seed produces roots to allow water to get into the plant and shoots to produce leaves to collects the sunlight  Extend vocabulary: blossom, buds, bulb, evergreen, deciduous  Name & describe some plants  Draw pictures of plants  Describe what they see, hear & feel whilst outside  Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them	changing seasons on the natural world around them  Use correct terms e.g. chrysalis, pupa when observing life cycle of butterfly & ladybirds  Understand the key features of the life cycle of a plant or animal  Be able to show care and concern for living things  Talk about things they have observed including animals  Observational drawings of animals  Observe & interact with natural processes, such as a sound causing a vibration	different points of view on the quality of the environment  Use words such as busy, quiet, pollution  Describe what they see, hear & feel whilst outside  Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them  Examine change over time  Observe & interact with natural processes, such as a boat floating on water
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Our yearly planning is flexible in the foundation stage and although we plan themes for the year ahead, with the nature of Early Years we find that the needs and interests of the children does not always fit with the planned topics, with this in mind we adapt out planning to the interests and needs of the children.

Year 1	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.  Compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties.	Observe changes across the four seasons.  Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies	Identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals.  Identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.  Describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (including pets).	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.	Identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the human body is associated with each sense.	
Year 2	Explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead, and things that have never been alive.  Identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including micro-habitats.	Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults.  Find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air).  Describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene.	Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses.  Find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.	Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants.  Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.	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 plants, and how they depend on each other.  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.	

Year 3	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.	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.	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.	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.	
Year 4	Compare and group materials together, according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases.  Observe that some materials change state	Identify common appliances that run on electricity.  Construct a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts, including	Describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans.  Identify the different types of teeth in humans	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	Identify how sounds are made, associating some of them with something vibrating.  Recognise that vibrations from sounds travel	

	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.	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.	and their simple functions.  Construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey.	in their local and wider environment.  Recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.	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.	
Year 5	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.	planets, relative to the  Describe the movement of Ear  Describe the Sun, Earth and spherica  Use the idea of the Earth's night and the apparent more	t of the Earth, and other Sun in the solar system.  of the Moon relative to the rth.  and Moon as approximately al bodies.  rotation to explain day and ovement of the Sun across 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.

		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			
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Year 6	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	Recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines.  Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to	Identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood.	Associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit.	Describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and
	identical to their parents.	explain that objects are seen because they give	Recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and	Compare and give reasons for variations in how components	differences, including micro-organisms, plants and animals.

Identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit	out or reflect light into	lifestyle on the way their	function, including the	
their environment in different ways and that	the eye.	bodies function.	brightness of bulbs, the	Give reasons for classifying
adaptation may lead to evolution.			loudness of buzzers and	plants and animals based
	Explain that we see things	Describe the ways in	the on/off position of	on specific characteristics.
	because light travels from	which nutrients and	switches.	
	light sources to our eyes	water are transported		
	or from light sources to	within animals, including	Use recognised symbols	
	objects and then to our	humans.	when representing a	
	eyes.		simple circuit in a	
			diagram.	
	Use the idea that light			
	travels in straight lines to			
	explain why shadows			
	have the same shape as			
	the objects that cast			
	them.			