

Progression in Vocabulary

		Reception	Year I	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
	Plants	·	Deciduous, Evergreen, Tree,	Seeds, Bulbs, Water, Light,	photosynthesis, pollen,			
			Leaves, Flowers (blossom),	Suitable temperature, Grow,	insect/wind pollination, male,			
			Petals, Fruit, Roots, Bulb, Seed,	Healthy, Germinate, Decompose	female, seed formation, seed			
			Trunk, Branches, Stem, Oak,		dispersal (wind dispersal,			
			Holly, Willow, Birch, Chestnut,		animal dispersal, water			
			Conker, Daisy, Buttercup, Rose,		dispersal), air, nutrients,			
			Daffodil, fruit		minerals, soil, absorb,			
Biology					transport			
	Animals,	names of animals, live,	head, body, eyes, ears, mouth,	offspring, reproduction, growth,	nutrition, nutrients,	digestive system, digestion, mouth,	puberty, the vocabulary to	puberty, the vocabulary
	including	on land, in water,	teeth, leg, tail, wing, claw, fin,	baby, toddler, child, teenager,	carbohydrates, sugars,	teeth, saliva, oesophagus, stomach,	describe sexual characteristics in	to describe sexual
	humans	jungle, desert, North,	scales, feathers, fur, beak, paws,	adult, old person, names of	protein, vitamins, minerals,	small intestine, large intestine,	line with the school's RSE policy	characteristics in line with
		baby, toddler, child,	hooves, names of animals	animals and their babies (e.g.	fibre, fat, water, skeleton,	rectum, anus, incisor, canine, molar,		the school's RSE policy
		adult, old person, old,	experienced first-hand from	chick/chicken, kitten/cat,	bones, muscles, joints,	premolar, herbivore, carnivore,	life cycle, foetus, baby, child,	life cycle, foetus, baby,
		young, brother, sister,	each vertebrate group, parts of	caterpillar/butterfly), survive,	support, protect, move, skull,	omnivore, producer, predator, prey	adolescent, adult, reproduce,	child, adolescent, adult,
		mother, father, aunt,	the human body including those	survival, water, food, air,	ribs, spine		sexual, sperm, fertilises, egg, live	reproduce, sexual, sperm,
		uncle, grandmother,	within the school's RSE policy,	exercise, heartbeat, breathing,			young (Y5 - Living things and	fertilises, egg, live young
		grandfather, cousin,	senses, touch, see, smell, taste,	hygiene, germs, disease, food			their habitats)	(Y5 - Living things and
		friend, family, boy, girl,	hear, fingers, skin, eyes, nose,	types (e.g. meat, fish,				their habitats)
		man, woman	ears, tongue	vegetables, bread, rice, pasta,				
				dairy)				
	Liwing	tree, bush, herb, names		living, dead, never been alive,		Vertebrates, Fish, Amphibians,	Mammal, Reproduction, Insect,	vertebrates, fish,
	Things and	of plants they see		suited, suitable, basic needs,		Reptiles, Birds, Mammals,	Amphibian, Bird, Offspring;	amphibians, reptiles,
	their	(Reception - Living		food, food chain, shelter, move,		Invertebrates, Snails, Slugs, Worms,	Classification, Vertebrates,	birds, mammals, warm-
	Habitats	things and their		feed, water, air, survive,		Spiders, Insects, Environment,	Invertebrates, Microorganisms,	blooded, cold-blooded,
		habitats)		survival, names of local		Habitats classification, classification	Amphibians, Reptiles, Mammals,	invertebrates, insects,
				habitats (e.g. pond, woodland		keys, environment, habitat, human	Insects	spiders, snails, worms,
				etc.), names of micro-habitats		impact, positive, negative, migrate,		flowering, non-flowering,
				(e.g. under logs, in bushes etc.),		hibernate		mosses, ferns, conifers
				conditions, light, dark, shady,				
				sunny, wet, damp, dry, hot, cold,				
				names of living things in the				
				habitats and micro-habitats				
				studied				
	Evolution							offspring, sexual
	and							reproduction, vary,
	Inheritance							characteristics, adapted,
								inherited, species, evolve,
								evolution



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	Materials	ice, water, frozen, icicle,	Everyday Materials Wood,	object, material, wood, plastic,	rock, stone, pebble, boulder,	solid, liquid, gas, heating, cooling,	thermal insulator/conductor,	
		snow, melt, wet, cold,	Plastic, Glass, Paper, Water,	glass, metal, water, rock, brick,	grain, crystals, layers, hard,	state change, melting, freezing,	change of state, mixture, dissolve,	
		slippery, smooth, big,	Metal, Rock, Hard, Soft, Bendy,	paper, fabric, elastic, foil,	soft, texture, absorbs water,	melting point, boiling, boiling point,	solution, soluble, insoluble, filter,	
Chemistry		bigger, biggest, smaller,	Rough, Smooth	card/cardboard, rubber, wool,	fossil, bone, flesh, minerals,	evaporation, condensation,	sieve, reversible/non-reversible	
		smaller, smallest, hard,	Opaque, transparent,	clay, hard, soft, stretchy, stiff,	marble, chalk, granite,	temperature, water cycle	change, burning, rusting, new	
		soft, bendy, rigid, wood,	translucent, reflective, non-	bendy, floppy, waterproof,	sandstone, slate, types of soil		material	
		plastic, paper, card,	reflective, flexible, rigid, shape,	absorbent, breaks/tears, rough,	(e.g. peaty, sandy, chalky,			
		metal, strong, weak, hot,	push/pushing, pull/pulling,	smooth, shiny, dull, see-through,	clay) (Y3 - Rocks) magnetic			
		apply heat, waterproof,	twist/twisting,	not see-through	force, magnet, attract,			
		soggy, not waterproof,	squash/squashing,		magnetic material, metal,			
		best, change, change	bend/bending, stretch/stretching		iron, steel (Y3 - Forces and			
		back			magnets)			
					Linked to other topics.			
	Rocks				rock, stone, pebble, boulder,			
					grain, crystals, layers, hard,			
					soft, texture, absorbs water,			
					fossil, bone, flesh, minerals,			
					marble, chalk, granite,			
					sandstone, slate, types of soil			
					(e.g. peaty, sandy, chalky,			
					day)			
		spring, summer,	weather, sunny, rainy, raining,					
	Seasonal	autumn, winter, seasons,	shower, windy, snowy, cloudy,					
	Changes	sunny, cloudy, hot,	hot, warm, cold, storm, thunder,					
		warm, cold, shower,	lightning, hail, sleet, snow, icy,					
		raining, storm, thunder,	frost, puddles, rainbow, seasons,					
		lightning, hail, sleet,	winter, summer, spring, autumn,					
		· · · · ·	Sun, sunrise, sunset, day length					
		windy, rainbow,						
		animals, young, plants,						
Physics		flowers						
		Sun, sunny, light,			light, light source, dark,			straight lines, light rays
		shadow, shady, clouds,			absence of light, surface,			
	Light	torch, see-through, not			shadow, reflect, mirror, Sun,			
		see-through, source,			sunlight, dangerous			
		light source			C 1 11 1 1 1 1		C E II	
		float, sink, up, down,			force, push, pull, twist, contact		force, gravity, Earth, air	
	Forces and	top, bottom, surface,			force, non-contact force,		resistance, water resistance,	
	Magnets	move, roll, drop, fly,			magnetic force, magnet,		friction, mechanisms, simple	
		turn, spin, fall, fast,			strength, bar magnet, ring		machines, levers, pulleys, gears	
		slow, faster, slower,			magnet, button magnet,			
		fastest, slowest, further,			horseshoe magnet, attract,			
					repel, magnetic material,			



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		furthest, wind, air,			metal, iron, steel, poles, north			
		water, blow, bounce			'			
					pole, south pole			
		sound, noise, listen,				sound, source, vibrate, vibration,		
	Sound	hear, music, voices, bird				travel, pitch (high, low), volume,		
		song, traffic, sirens,				faint, quiet, loud, insulation		
		thunder, high, low, loud,						
		quiet, soft, volume,						
		crackle, thunder, hum,						
		buzz, roar						
						electricity, electrical		circuit diagram, circuit
	Electricity					appliance/device, mains, plug,		symbol, voltage
						electrical circuit, complete circuit,		
						component, cell, battery, positive,		
						negative, connect/connections, loose		
						connection, short circuit, crocodile		
						clip, bulb, switch, buzzer, motor,		
						conductor, insulator, metal, non-		
						metal, symbol		
		Sun, Moon, Earth, star,					Sun, Moon, Earth, planets	
	Earth and	planet, sky, day, night,					(Mercury, Jupiter, Saturn, Venus,	
	Space	space, round, bounce,					Mars, Uranus, Neptune), spherical,	
		float					Solar System, rotate, star, orbit	
Working		look closely, observe,	observe, changes, patterns, grouping, sorting, compare, same,		practical work, fair testing, relationships, accurate, thermometer, data		variables, independent variable, dependent variable, control	
Scientifically		watch, touch, feel, smell,	different, identify (name), measure, data, record results, drawing,		logger, stopwatch, timer, estimate, data, diagram, identification key,		variable, evidence, justify, argument (science), causal	
		listen, same, different,	picture, table, tally chart, present, pictogram, block chart, Venn		chart, bar chart, prediction, similarity, difference, evidence,		relationship, accuracy, precision, scatter graphs, bar graphs,	
		compare, ask questions,	diagram, ask questions, test, investigate, explore, equipment,		information, findings, criteria, values, properties, characteristics,		line graphs, force meter	
		record, sort, group	resources, magnifying glass, hand lens, ruler, tape measure, metre		conclusion, explanation, reason, evaluate, improve			
			stick, pipette, syringe, spoon, teaspoon, answer questions, interpret					
			results, scientific enquiry, pattern seeking, comparative testing,					
			observing over time, classifying, researching using secondary					
			sources					