SCIENCE CURRICULUM- YEAR 5

THEME	KNOWLEGDE	SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATION SKILLS
Living Things &	Describe the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an	Planning & Communication
their Habitats	amphibian, an insect and a bird	Record observations systematically
	Describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals.	Use appropriate scientific language and conventions to
		communicate quantitative and qualitative data
		Soloct a range of appropriate sources of information including
		books internet and CD Rom
Animals including	Describe the changes as humans develop to old age	Investigation & Observing
humans		Use previous knowledge and experience combined with
indiniditio		experimental evidence to provide scientific explanations
		Recognise the key factors to be considered in carrying out a fair
		test
Properties and	Compare and group together everyday materials on the basis of their	Observing & Recording
Changes of	properties, including their hardness, solubility, transparency,	Make a series of observations, comparisons and measurements
Materials	conductivity (electrical and thermal), and response to magnets	with increasing precision
	Know that some materials will dissolve in liquid to form a solution,	Select apparatus for a range of tasks
	and describe how to recover a substance from a solution	
		Plan to use apparatus effectively
	Use knowledge of solids, liquids and gases to decide now mixtures	
	might be separated, including through filtering, sleving and	Begin to make repeat observations and measurements
	evaporating	systematically
	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	Describe the movement of the Earth, and other planets, relative to	Considering Evidence and Evaluating
	the Sun in the solar system	Make predictions based on their scientific knowledge and understanding
	Describe the movement of the Moon relative to the Earth	
		Draw conclusions that are consistent with the evidence
	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.	Relate evidence to scientific knowledge and understanding
		Offer simple explanations for any differences in their results
		Make practical suggestions about how their working methods could be improved
Forces	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	