

Science in the EYFS curriculum	How this is achieved in EYFS	How the learning in EYFS progresses into KS1
 Understanding the World Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants. Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class. Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons and changing states of matter. 	 Talking about the weather each day during registration. Going on walks to observe the local environment and to compare and learn about the seasons. Children freely choose the natural resources in nature to help create resources for play. Taking photos to compare and discuss the seasons. Spring 2 topic – comparing the weather in the UK and in Africa. Singing the days of the week and months of the year songs. Reading stories linked to the seasons. 	 Y1 Autumn 2 topic – Autumn and Winter. Y1 Summer 1 topic – Spring and Summer. Identifying the seasons and months. Discussing what the weather is like in each season and what clothes to wear. Learning about what happens to plants and animals in each season. Learning about changes between seasons.
Personal, Social and Emotional Development ELG: Managing Self • Manage their own basic hygiene and personal needs, including dressing, going to the toilet and understanding the importance of healthy food choices.	 Spring 2 – learning about African animals and where they live. Learning about how to take care of animals. Discussions about pets the children have at home and their own experiences of looking after their pets. Reading stories about different animals – fiction and non-fiction. Exploring minibeasts in the outdoor area and recording our observations. Creating bug hotels. During PE lessons children are encouraged to get dressed and undressed independently. Singing songs to name the different body parts e.g. heads, shoulders, knees and toes. Learning about the life cycle of a butterfly. 	 Y1 Spring topic – amazing animals. Naming and describing animals. Grouping animals by characteristics. Identifying how animals are similar and different. Identifying and comparing fish. Comparing and contrasting animals from different categories. Learning about what animals eat. Knowing how to look after pets. Learning about the basic parts and functions of the human body. Y2 Spring topic – living things and their habitats. Understanding how to identify if something is alive. Learning about where plants and animals live. Comparing the Arctic and Sahara.

 Caring for our own caterpillars in class and watching them grow. Summer 1 topic – learning about where food comes from, and which foods are healthy. Discussions at snack time of the importance of healthy food choices. Discussion at lunch time about healthy eating and food choices. Stories and circle time discussions about hygiene, exercise and healthy lifestyles. Reminding children of the importance of washing hands at multiple times throughout the day. Games where the children have to touch and identify different body parts e.g. touch your leg. Learning about the importance of brushing teeth and good hygiene. Learning about the importance of screen time. Understanding why exercise is important in PE lessons. 	 Learning about plant and animal food chains. Y2 Autumn 1 topic – animals and survival. Understanding the basic needs of animals. Learning about animal offsprings. Understanding why exercise is important for humans. Exploring what a balanced diet is and the names of the food groups. Learning about why hygiene is important.
 Daily wake and shake. Summer 2 topic – learning about how plants grow. Planting seeds/bulbs and growing our own plants. Looking after the EYFS garden and taking care of the plants. Understanding what plants need to grow. Learning about how the weather may affect plant growth. Spring 1 topic – learning about the impact of pollution on Birmingham. 	 Y1 Summer 2 topic – common plants. Learning about what a plant is and the basic parts of a plant. Identifying garden and wild plants. Identifying the main parts of a tree. Understanding why plants are important. Y2 Summer 2 topic – plants and growth. Learning about what a seed is and what is inside it. Learning about what a seed needs to germinate and grow. Learning about the life cycle of a plant. Y2 Summer 1 topic – protecting the environment.
Learning about why we have a clean air zone in Birmingham.	 Learning about the dangers to the environment and animals. Learning why recycling is important. Learning about being energy efficient.

 Talking about why it is important to recyc and the children's experiences of recycling. Litter picking around the school. 	Learning about why trees are important.
Making boats to explore the best materice Water tray activities to explore water, ice and materials that float and sink. Exploring materials and texture in different clothes. Investigating what the best material to make a winter coat will be. Learning about pollution and how it is affecting the environment.	 Learning what a material is and the names and properties of materials.