Penwortham Primary School Science

	Knowledge Matrice								
Year 1	Identify and name a	Observe changes	Distinguish between	Identify and name a	Distinguish between	Identify, name, draw			
	variety of common	across the four	an object and the	variety of common	an object and the	and label the basic			
	animals including fish,	seasons. • Observe	material from which	wild and garden	material from which	parts of the human			
	amphibians, reptiles,	and describe weather	it is made. • Identify	plants, including	it is made. • Identify	body and say which			
	birds and mammals. •	associated with the	and name a variety of	deciduous and	and name a variety of	part of the body is			
	Identify and name a	seasons and how day	everyday materials,	evergreen trees. •	everyday materials,	associated with each			
	variety of common	length varies.	including wood,	Identify and describe	including wood,	sense.			
	animals that are		plastic, glass, metal,	the basic structure of	plastic, glass, metal,				
	carnivores,		water, and rock. •	a variety of common	water, and rock. •				
	herbivores and		Describe the simple	flowering plants,	Describe the simple				
	omnivores. •		physical properties of	including trees.	physical properties of				
	Describe and		a variety of everyday		a variety of everyday				
	compare the		materials. • Compare		materials. • Compare				
	structure of a variety		and group together a		and group together a				
	of common animals		variety of everyday		variety of everyday				
	(fish, amphibians,		materials on the basis		materials on the basis				
	reptiles, birds and								

	mammals, including		of their simple		of their simple			
	pets). •		physical properties.		physical properties.			
Progression in working scientifically - skills								
Asking	simple questions and rec	v	V			evelop their ability to		
-	stions (such as what som							
how the	ey happen). Where appro	priate, they answer thes	e questions. • The childre	en answer questions dev	eloped with the teacher	often through a		
scenario	 The children are invo 	lved in planning how to ι	use resources provided to	o answer the questions us	sing different types of er	quiry, helping them to		
recognis	se that there are differen	t ways in which question	is can be answered.					
Observi	ing closely, using simple o	equipment • Children ex	plore the world around t	hem. They make careful	observations to support	identification,		
compar	ison and noticing change	. They use appropriate se	enses, aided by equipme	nt such as magnifying gla	sses or digital microscop	es, to make their		
observa	tions. • They begin to tak	ke measurements, initiall	ly by comparisons, then ι	ising non-standard units.				
Perform	ning simple tests • The ch	nildren use practical reso	urces provided to gather	evidence to answer que	stions generated by then	nselves or the teacher.		
They ca	rry out: tests to classify; o	comparative tests; patter	rn seeking enquiries; and	make observations over	time. Identifying and cla	ssifying • Children use		
their ob	servations and testing to	compare objects, mater	ials and living things. The	ey sort and group these the	nings, identifying their ov	vn criteria for sorting. •		
They us	e simple secondary sourc	ces (such as identification	n sheets) to name living t	hings. They describe the	characteristics they used	to identify a living		
thing.								
	ng and recording data to			-				
	ns or in writing. • They re		s e.g. using prepared tabl	les, pictograms, tally char	ts and block graphs. • Th	ney classify using simple		
	ed tables and sorting rings							
-	neir observations and ide		•	•				
	s to questions. They are s		to their evidence e.g. ob	servations they have ma	de, measurements they	have taken or		
	tion they have gained fro							
Using th	neir observations and ide	eas to suggest answers to	o questions • The childre	en recognise 'biggest and	smallest', 'best and wors	st' etc. from their data.		
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Year 2	Observe and describe	Describe the	Explore and compare	 Notice that animals, 	Explore and compare	Identify and compare		
	how seeds and bulbs	importance for	the differences	including humans,	the differences	the suitability of a		
	grow into mature	humans of exercise,	between things that	have offspring which	between things that	variety of everyday		
	plants. • Find out and	eating the right	are living, dead, and	grow into adults. •	are living, dead, and	materials, including		
	describe how plants	amounts of different	things that have	Find out about and	things that have	wood, metal, plastic,		
	need water, light and	types of food, and	never been alive •	describe the basic	never been alive •	glass, brick, rock,		
	a suitable	hygiene	Identify that most	needs of animals,	Identify that most	paper and cardboard		
		10	living things live in	including humans, for	living things live in	for particular uses.		

temperature to grow	habitats to which	survival (water, food	habitats to which	Find out how the
and stay healthy.	they are suited and	and air). ●.	they are suited and	shapes of solid
	describe how		describe how	objects made from
	different habitats		different habitats	some materials can
	provide for the basic		provide for the basic	be changed by
	needs of different		needs of different	squashing, bending,
	kinds of animals and		kinds of animals and	twisting and
	plants, and how they		plants, and how they	stretching.
	depend on each other		depend on each other	
	 Identify and name a 		 Identify and name a 	
	variety of plants and		variety of plants and	
	animals in their		animals in their	
	habitats, including		habitats, including	
	micro-habitats •		micro-habitats •	
	Describe how animals		Describe how animals	
	obtain their food		obtain their food	
	from plants and other		from plants and other	
	animals, using the		animals, using the	
	idea of a simple food		idea of a simple food	
	chain, and identify		chain, and identify	
	and name different		and name different	
	sources of food		sources of food	

Progression in working scientifically - skills

Asking simple questions and recognising that they can be answered in different ways • While exploring the world, the children develop their ability to ask questions (such as what something is, how things are similar and different, the ways things work, which alternative is better, how things change and how they happen). Where appropriate, they answer these questions. • The children answer questions developed with the teacher often through a scenario. • The children are involved in planning how to use resources provided to answer the questions using different types of enquiry, helping them to recognise that there are different ways in which questions can be answered.

Observing closely, using simple equipment • Children explore the world around them. They make careful observations to support identification, comparison and noticing change. They use appropriate senses, aided by equipment such as magnifying glasses or digital microscopes, to make their observations. • They begin to take measurements, initially by comparisons, then using non-standard units.

Performing simple tests • The children use practical resources provided to gather evidence to answer questions generated by themselves or the teacher. They carry out: tests to classify; comparative tests; pattern seeking enquiries; and make observations over time. Identifying and classifying • Children use their observations and testing to compare objects, materials and living things. They sort and group these things, identifying their own criteria for sorting. • They use simple secondary sources (such as identification sheets) to name living things. They describe the characteristics they used to identify a living thing.

Gathering and recording data to help in answering questions • The children record their observations e.g. using photographs, videos, drawings, labelled diagrams or in writing. • They record their measurements e.g. using prepared tables, pictograms, tally charts and block graphs. • They classify using simple prepared tables and sorting rings.

Using their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions • Children use their experiences of the world around them to suggest appropriate answers to questions. They are supported to relate these to their evidence e.g. observations they have made, measurements they have taken or information they have gained from secondary sources.

Using their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions • The children recognise 'biggest and smallest', 'best and worst' etc. from their data.

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Year 3	Identify that animals,	Identify that humans	 Compare and group 	Compare how things	Recognise that they	Identify and describe		
	including humans,	and some other	together different	move on different	need light in order to	the functions of		
	need the right types	animals have	kinds of rocks on the	surfaces. • Notice	see things, and that	different parts of		
	and amount of	skeletons and	basis of their	that some forces	dark is the absence of	flowering plants:		
	nutrition, and that	muscles for support,	appearance and	need contact	light. • Notice that	roots; stem/trunk;		
	they cannot make	protection and	simple physical	between two objects,	light is reflected from	leaves; and flowers. •		
	their own food – they	movement.	properties.	but magnetic forces	surfaces. • Recognise	Explore the		
	get nutrition from		in simple terms how	can act at a distance.	that light from the	requirements of		
	what they eat.		fossils are formed	 Observe how 	sun can be dangerous	plants for life and		
			when things that	magnets attract or	and that there are	growth (air, light,		
			have lived are	repel each other and	ways to protect their	water, nutrients from		
			trapped within rock. •	attract some	eyes. • Recognise	soil, and room to		
			Recognise that soils	materials and not	that shadows are	grow) and how they		
			are made from rocks	others. • Compare	formed when the	vary from plant to		
			and organic matter.	and group together a	light from a light	plant. • Investigate		
				variety of everyday	source is blocked by	the way in which		
				materials on the basis	an opaque object. •	water is transported		
				of whether they are	Find patterns in the	within plants. •		
				attracted to a		Explore the part that		

magnet, and identify	way that the size of	flowers play in the life
some magnetic	shadows change.	cycle of flowering
materials. • Describe		plants, including
magnets as having		pollination, seed
two poles. • Predict		formation and seed
whether two magnets		dispersal
will attract or repel		
each other,		
depending on which		
poles are facing		

Progression in working scientifically - skills

Asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them • The children consider their prior knowledge when asking questions. They independently use a range of question stems. Where appropriate, they answer these questions. • The children answer questions posed by the teacher. • Given a range of resources, the children decide for themselves how to gather evidence to answer the question. They recognise when secondary sources can be used to answer questions that cannot be answered through practical work. They identify the type of enquiry that they have chosen to answer their question.

Making systematic and careful observations and, where appropriate, taking accurate measurements using standard units, using a range of equipment, including thermometers and data loggers • The children make systematic and careful observations. • They use a range of equipment for measuring length, time, temperature and capacity. They use standard units for their measurements.

Setting up simple practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests • The children select from a range of practical resources to gather evidence to answer questions generated by themselves or the teacher. • They follow their plan to carry out: observations and tests to classify; comparative and simple fair tests; observations over time; and pattern seeking.

Gathering, recording, classifying and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions Recording findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables • The children sometimes decide how to record and present evidence. They record their observation e.g. using photographs, videos, pictures, labelled diagrams or writing. They record their measurements e.g. using tables, tally charts and bar charts (given templates, if required, to which they can add headings). They record classifications e.g. using tables, Venn diagrams, Carroll diagrams. • Children are supported to present the same data in different ways in order to help with answering the question.

Using straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or to support their findings. • Children answer their own and others' questions based on observations they have made, measurements they have taken or information they have gained from secondary sources. The answers are consistent with the evidence.

Identifying differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes • Children interpret their data to generate simple comparative statements based on their evidence. They begin to identify naturally occurring patterns and causal relationships. Using results to draw simple

conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further questions • They draw conclusions based on their evidence and current subject knowledge.

Using results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further questions • They identify ways in which they adapted their method as they progressed or how they would do it differently if they repeated the enquiry.

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Year 4	Identify common	Identify how sounds	Describe the simple	 Compare and group 	 Identify the part 	Recognise that living			
	appliances that run	are made, associating	functions of the basic	materials together,	played by	things can be			
	on electricity. •	some of them with	parts of the digestive	according to whether	evaporation and	grouped in a variety			
	Construct a simple	something vibrating.	system in humans. •	they are solids,	condensation in the	of ways. • Explore			
	series electrical	 Recognise that 	Identify the different	liquids or gases. •	water cycle and	and use classification			
	circuit, identifying	vibrations from	types of teeth in	Observe that some	associate the rate of	keys to help group,			
	and naming its basic	sounds travel through	humans and their	materials change	evaporation with	identify and name a			
	parts, including cells,	a medium to the ear.	simple functions. •	state when they are	temperature.	variety of living things			
	wires, bulbs, switches	 Find patterns 	Construct and	heated or cooled, and		in their local and			
	and buzzers. •	between the pitch of	interpret a variety of	measure or research		wider environment. •			
	Identify whether or	a sound and features	food chains,	the temperature at		Recognise that			
	not a lamp will light in	of the object that	identifying producers,	which this happens in		environments can			
	a simple series circuit,	produced it. • Find	predators and prey.	degrees Celsius (°C).		change and that this			
	based on whether or	patterns between the				can sometimes pose			
	not the lamp is part	volume of a sound				dangers to living			
	of a complete loop	and the strength of				things.			
	with a battery. •	the vibrations that							
	Recognise that a	produced it. •							
	switch opens and	Recognise that							
	closes a circuit and	sounds get fainter as							
	associate this with	the distance from the							
	whether or not a	sound source							
	lamp lights in a	increases.							
	simple series circuit. •								
	Recognise some								
	common conductors								
	and insulators, and								

	associate metals with					
	being good					
	conductors.					
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	to answer their question.					
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	time, temperature and ca					
				elect from a range of prac		
-			y follow their plan to car	ry out: observations and	tests to classify; compara	ative and simple fair
	oservations over time; an	· · ·				
				in answering questions		
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				riting. They record their n		
				cord classifications e.g. us		ns, Carroll diagrams. •
				o with answering the que		
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the evid						
-	-	-	-	and processes • Children		-
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	•	r new values, suggest im	provements and raise fu	rther questions • They dr	aw conclusions based or	their evidence and
currents	subject knowledge.					
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	Describe the	• Compare and group	Describe the	Explain that	Use knowledge of	Describe the changes
Year 5					_	
Year 5	differences in the life	together everyday	movement of the	unsupported objects	solids, liquids and	as humans develop to
Year 5		together everyday materials on the basis	movement of the Earth, and other	unsupported objects fall towards the Earth	solids, liquids and gases to decide how	as humans develop to old age.

insect and a bird. •including theirthe Sun in the solarof gravity actingseparated, includingDescribe the lifehardness, solubility,system. • Describebetween the Earththrough filtering,process oftransparency,the movement of theand the falling object.sieving andreproduction in someconductivityMoon relative to the• Identify the effectsevaporating. • Give
process of transparency, the movement of the and the falling object. sieving and
reproduction in some conductivity Mean relative to the clantify the effects over exting a Cive
reproduction in some conductivity Moon relative to the • Identify the effects evaporating. • Give
plants and animals. (electrical and Earth. • Describe the of air resistance, reasons, based on
thermal), and Sun, Earth and Moon water resistance and evidence from
response to magnets. as approximately friction that act comparative and fair
Know that some spherical bodies. between moving tests, for the
materials will dissolve Use the idea of the surfaces. • Recognise particular uses of
in liquid to form a Earth's rotation to that some everyday materials,
solution and describe explain day and night mechanisms, including metals,
how to recover a and the apparent including levers, wood and plastic. •
substance from a movement of the Sun pulleys and gears, Demonstrate that
solution across the sky allow a smaller force dissolving, mixing and
to have a greater changes of state are
effect. 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.
Progression in working scientifically - skills
Planning different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary • Children
independently ask scientific questions. This may be stimulated by a scientific experience or involve asking further questions based on their developed
understanding following an enquiry. • Given a wide range of resources the children decide for themselves how to gather evidence to answer a scientific
question. They choose a type of enquiry to carry out and justify their choice. They recognise how secondary sources can be used to answer questions that
cannot be answered through practical work

Taking measurements, using a range of scientific equipment, with increasing accuracy and precision, taking repeat readings when appropriate • The children select measuring equipment to give the most precise results e.g. ruler, tape measure or trundle wheel, force meter with a suitable scale. • During an enquiry, they make decisions e.g. whether they need to: take repeat readings (fair testing); increase the sample size (pattern seeking); adjust the observation period and frequency (observing over time); or check further secondary sources (researching); in order to get accurate data (closer to the true value)

Planning different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary • The children select from a range of practical resources to gather evidence to answer their questions. They carry out fair tests, recognising and controlling variables. They decide what observations or measurements to make over time and for how long. They look for patterns and relationships using a suitable sample.

Recording data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs • The children decide how to record and present evidence. They record observations e.g. using annotated photographs, videos, labelled diagrams, observational drawings, labelled scientific diagrams or writing. They record measurements e.g. using tables, tally charts, bar charts, line graphs and scatter graphs. They record classifications e.g. using tables, tally charts, bar charts, line graphs and scatter graphs. They record classifications e.g. using tables, Venn diagrams, Carroll diagrams and classification keys.

Identifying scientific evidence that has been used to support or refute ideas or arguments • Children answer their own and others' questions based on observations they have made, measurements they have taken or information they have gained from secondary sources. When doing this, they discuss whether other evidence e.g. from other groups, secondary sources and their scientific understanding, supports or refutes their answer. • They talk about how their scientific ideas change due to new evidence that they have gathered. • They talk about how new discoveries change scientific understanding. Using their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions • The children recognise 'biggest and smallest', 'best and worst' etc. from their data. Identifying differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes • Children interpret their data to generate simple comparative statements based on their evidence. They begin to identify naturally occurring patterns and causal relationships.

Reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations • In their conclusions, children: identify causal relationships and patterns in the natural world from their evidence; identify results that do not fit the overall pattern; and explain their findings using their subject knowledge

Using test results to make predictions to set up further comparative and fair tests • Children use the scientific knowledge gained from enquiry work to make predictions they can investigate using comparative and fair tests.

Reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations • They communicate their findings to an audience using relevant scientific language and illustrations.

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Year 6	 Recognise that 	Recognise that light	 Identify and name 	Describe how living	Associate the			
	living things have	appears to travel in	the main parts of the	things are classified	brightness of a lamp			
	changed over time	straight lines. • Use	human circulatory	into broad groups	or the volume of a			
	and that fossils	the idea that light	system, and describe	according to common	buzzer with the			

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provide information	•	the functions of the	observable	number and voltage	
about living things	lines to explain that	heart, blood vessels	characteristics and	of cells used in the	
that inhabited the	objects are seen	and blood. •	based on similarities	circuit. • Compare	
Earth millions of	because they give out	Recognise the impact	and differences,	and give reasons for	
years ago. •	or reflect light into	of diet, exercise,	including micro-	variations in how	
Recognise that livin	ig the eye. • Explain	drugs and lifestyle on	organisms, plants and	components function,	
things produce	that we see things	the way their bodies	animals. • Give	including the	
offspring of the san	ne because light travels	function.	reasons for classifying	brightness of bulbs,	
kind, but normally	from light sources to	the ways in which	plants and animals	the loudness of	
offspring vary and a	are our eyes or from light	nutrients and water	based on specific	buzzers and the	
not identical to the	ir sources to objects	are transported	characteristics.	on/off position of	
parents. • Identify	and then to our eyes.	within animals,		switches. • Use	
how animals and	 Use the idea that 	including humans.		recognised symbols	
plants are adapted	to light travels in			when representing a	
suit their	straight lines to			simple circuit in a	
environment in	explain why shadows			diagram.	
different ways and	have the same shape				
that adaptation ma	y as the objects that				
lead to evolution.	cast them				
	Progres	sion in working s	cientifically - skil	ls	
Planning different types of s	cientific enquiries to answe	r questions, including re	cognising and controlling	variables where necessary • Childr	ren
	-			urther questions based on their dev	
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				y sources can be used to answer que	
cannot be answered through	practical work				

Taking measurements, using a range of scientific equipment, with increasing accuracy and precision, taking repeat readings when appropriate • The children select measuring equipment to give the most precise results e.g. ruler, tape measure or trundle wheel, force meter with a suitable scale. • During an enquiry, they make decisions e.g. whether they need to: take repeat readings (fair testing); increase the sample size (pattern seeking); adjust the observation period and frequency (observing over time); or check further secondary sources (researching); in order to get accurate data (closer to the true value)

Planning different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary • The children select from a range of practical resources to gather evidence to answer their questions. They carry out fair tests, recognising and controlling variables. They decide what observations or measurements to make over time and for how long. They look for patterns and relationships using a suitable sample.

Recording data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs • The children decide how to record and present evidence. They record observations e.g. using annotated photographs, videos, labelled diagrams, observational drawings, labelled scientific diagrams or writing. They record measurements e.g. using tables, tally charts, bar charts, line graphs and scatter graphs. They record classifications e.g. using tables, Venn diagrams, Carroll diagrams and classification keys.

Identifying scientific evidence that has been used to support or refute ideas or arguments • Children answer their own and others' questions based on observations they have made, measurements they have taken or information they have gained from secondary sources. When doing this, they discuss whether other evidence e.g. from other groups, secondary sources and their scientific understanding, supports or refutes their answer. • They talk about how their scientific ideas change due to new evidence that they have gathered. • They talk about how new discoveries change scientific understanding. Using their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions • The children recognise 'biggest and smallest', 'best and worst' etc. from their data. Identifying differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes • Children interpret their data to generate simple comparative statements based on their evidence. They begin to identify naturally occurring patterns and causal relationships.

Reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations • In their conclusions, children: identify causal relationships and patterns in the natural world from their evidence; identify results that do not fit the overall pattern; and explain their findings using their subject knowledge

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Reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations • They communicate their findings to an audience using relevant scientific language and illustrations.