

Science Assessment Core Questions

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
Reception	Seasonal change What types of weather are there? What happens in Spring? What happens in Winter? What happens in Summer? What happens in Autumn?		Animals/wildlife What types of animal are there? What can you see/ hear/ touch/ taste/ smell? What is in our local wildlife? Why are bees important?	Our environment Why is plastic bad for our environment? Where does our rubbish go? What if plastic goes into our seas and oceans?	Trees Why are trees important? What are the different parts of a tree? How do leaves look different from each other? (Have leaves to look at and compare) (Link to Greta Thunburg)	What is a wild animal? Can wild animals be good pets? Why not? What animals are wild? Do these animals need looking after? What animals are pets? Where do wild animals live?
Year 1	Seasonal change What are the 4 seasons? What changes happen in each of the seasons? What are the months of the year? How can we measure the weather?	Everyday Materials What are everyday materials? What is the difference between an object and what it is made from? How can materials be grouped or classified? What are different properties of materials? What materials are waterproof? What materials are magnetic? What will happen to the material (food items) when heated?	Animals including humans What are the basic body parts? What are our 5 senses? What is a carnivore? What is a herbivore? What is an omnivore? How are the animals different/the same? (compare 2) How can we sort the animals? (use toy animals or pictures) What are the 5 animal groups?	Animals including humans What are the basic body parts? What are our 5 senses? What is a carnivore? What is a herbivore? What is an omnivore? How are the animals different/the same? (compare 2) How can we sort the animals? (use toy animals or pictures) What are the 5 animal groups? This term the children will have applied the knowledge taught in Term 3 through science enquiry activities.	Plants What are the main parts of a plant and what is the function of these parts? How do plants change at different times of the year? What are the names of common trees and flowers? How must we treat plants/trees? What are the similarities and differences of trees? What are the parts of trees and what is their function?	Plants What are the main parts of a plant and what is the function of these parts? How do plants change at different times of the year? What are the names of common trees and flowers? How must we treat plants/trees? What are the similarities and differences of trees? What are the parts of trees and what is their function? This term the children will have applied the knowledge taught in Term 5 through science enquiry activities.



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