Science



The most relevant statements for science are taken from the following areas of learning:

Communication and Language - Listening, Attention and Understanding

• make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

• manage their own basic hygiene and personal needs, including dressing, going to the toilet and understanding the importance of healthy food choices.

Understanding the World – The Natural 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.

Key Stage One Science Knowledge

Year One Rainbow / Amethyst	 Plants identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees
Y2 Amethyst Amber	 observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy
Year One Rainbow / Amethyst	 Animals, including humans identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals including pets) identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense
Y2 Amethyst Amber	 notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air) describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene
Year One	Everyday materials

Rainbow / Amethyst	 distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, and rock describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties
Y2 Amethyst Amber	 identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching
Year One Rainbow / Amethyst	 Seasonal changes observe changes across the 4 seasons observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies
Y2 Amethyst Amber	 Eiving things and their habitats explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead, and things that have never been alive identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants, and how they depend on each other identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including microhabitats describe how animals obtain their food from plants and other animals, using the idea of a simple food chain, and identify and name different sources of food

Scientific Skills

During years 1 and 2, pupils should be taught to use the following practical scientific methods, processes and skills through the teaching of the programme of study content:

They will be taught to:

- ask simple questions and recognising that they can be answered in different ways
- observe closely, using simple equipment
- perform simple tests
- identify and classifying
- use their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions
- gather and recording data to help in answering questions

Key Stage Two Science Knowledge

R/D	Plants (Y3)
	• identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and
	flowers
	• explore the requirements of plants for life and growth (air, light, water, nutrients from soil, and room to grow) and how they vary from plant to plant
	investigate the way in which water is transported within plants
	 explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal
	Y4
	Children will reinforce knowledge from Y3 and apply to scientific investigations (see below for skills)
	Rocks
	• compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties
	 describe in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter
	Y4
	Children will reinforce knowledge from Y3 and apply to scientific investigations (see below for skills)

Light recognise that they need light in order to see things and that dark is the absence of light notice that light is reflected from surfaces recognise that light from the sun can be dangerous and that there are ways to protect their eyes recognise that shadows are formed when the light from a light source is blocked by an opaque object find patterns in the way that the size of shadows change **Y4** Children will reinforce knowledge from Y3 and apply to scientific investigations (see below for skill) **Forces and Magnets** compare how things move on different surfaces notice that some forces need contact between 2 objects, but magnetic forces can act at a distance observe how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of whether they are attracted to a magnet, and identify some magnetic materials describe magnets as having 2 poles predict whether 2 magnets will attract or repel each other, depending on which poles are facing **Y4** Children will reinforce knowledge from Y3 and apply to scientific investigations (see below for skills) Sounds (Y4) Ruby **Diamond** identify how sounds are made, associating some of them with something vibrating recognise that vibrations from sounds travel through a medium to the ear Quartz find patterns between the pitch of a sound and features of the object that produced it find patterns between the volume of a sound and the strength of the vibrations that produced it recognise that sounds get fainter as the distance from the sound source increases Working Scientifically (Y3) - see below for skills Y5 (Quartz) – investigation will have a focus on sounds knowledge as taught in Y4

States Of Matter (Y4)

- compare and group materials together, according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases
- observe that some materials change state when they are heated or cooled, and measure or research the temperature at which this happens in degrees Celsius (°C)
- identify the part played by evaporation and condensation in the water cycle and associate the rate of evaporation with temperature

Working Scientifically (Y3) - see below for skills

Y5 (Quartz) - investigation will have a focus on states of knowledge as taught in Y4

Electricity (Y4)

- identify common appliances that run on electricity
- construct a simple series electr

ical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts, including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers

- identify whether or not a lamp will light in a simple series circuit, based on whether or not the lamp is part of a complete loop with a battery
- recognise that a switch opens and closes a circuit and associate this with whether or not a lamp lights in a simple series circuit
- recognise some common conductors and insulators, and associate metals with being good conductors

Working Scientifically (Y3) – see below for skills

Y5 (Quartz) - investigation will have a focus on electricity as taught in Y4

Scientific Skills

During years 3 and 4, pupils should be taught to use the following practical scientific methods, processes and skills through the teaching of the programme of study content:

They will be taught to:

- ask relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them
- set up simple practical enquiries, comparative and fair tests
- make systematic and careful observations and, where appropriate, taking accurate measurements using standard units, using a range of equipment, including thermometers and data loggers
- gather, recording, classifying and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions
- record findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables
- report on findings from enquiries, including oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and conclusions
- use results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further questions
- identify differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes
- use straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or to support their findings.

Adventurine Emerald Quartz

Y5 – Properties and Changes of Materials

- compare and group together everyday materials on the basis of their properties, including their hardness, solubility, transparency, conductivity (electrical and thermal), and response to magnets
- know that some materials will dissolve in liquid to form a solution, and describe how to recover a substance from a solution
- use knowledge of solids, liquids and gases to decide how mixtures might be separated, including through filtering, sieving and evaporating
- 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

Y6

Children will reinforce knowledge from Y5 and apply to **scientific investigations** (see below for skills) **Y4** – investigations will focus on states of matter, knowledge taught in Y2

Y6 – Light

- recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines
- use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye
- explain that we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to objects and then to our eyes
- use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them

Y5 – working scientifically focus, investigations based on knowledge taught in Y3

of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the ns for variations in how components function, including the brightness of bulbs, the ne on/off position of switches when representing a simple circuit in a diagram
of the Earth and other planets relative to the sun in the solar system
of the moon relative to the Earth and moon as approximately spherical bodies n's rotation to explain day and night and the apparent movement of the sun across
nt d objects fall towards the Earth because of the force of gravity acting between the ct r resistance, water resistance and friction, that act between moving surfaces chanisms including levers, pulleys and gears allow a smaller force to have a greater
ngs have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things nillions of years ago ngs produce offspring of the same kind, but normally offspring vary and are not d plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and that adaptation

Scientific Skills

During years 5 and 6, pupils should be taught to use the following practical scientific methods, processes and skills through the teaching of the programme of study content:

They will be taught to:

- plan different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary
- take measurements, using a range of scientific equipment, with increasing accuracy and precision, taking repeat readings when appropriate
- record data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs
- use test results to make predictions to set up further comparative and fair tests
- report and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and a degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations
- identify scientific evidence that has been used to support or refute ideas or arguments