

## **Knowledge Progression in Science**

Key Knowledge Area:							
	Foundation- Early Science						
		s and differences i	n relation to place	s, objects, materials	and living things.		
				v environments might		ther They make	
				talk about changes.		there may make	
KS1 and KS2 - Biolo		a explain why som	e ennigs occur and	tain about changes.			
Throughout the		er, a North Dow	ns pupil will				
Foundation	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year5	Year 6	
Use all their senses	Plants	Plants	Plants	Animals inc. Humans	Animals inc	Animals inc Humans	
with hands on	Identify and name	Observe and	Identify and	Describe the simple	Humans	Describe the changes	
exploration of	a variety of	describe how	describe the	functions of the basic	Identify and name	as humans develop	
natural materials	common wild and	seeds and bulbs	functions of	parts of the digestive	the main parts of	from birth to old	
(KUW) Provide	garden plants.	grow into mature	different parts of	system in humans.	the human	age.	
interesting natural	Identify deciduous	plants. Find out	flowering plants:		circulatory system,		
environments for	and evergreen	and describe how	roots, stem,	Describe the ways in	and explain the	Recognise the impact	
children to explore	trees. Identify and	plants need water,	leaves and	which nutrients and	functions of the	of diet, exercise,	
freely outdoors. Eg	describe the basic	light and a	flowers.	water are	heart, blood	drugs and lifestyle on	
Foundation Garden,	structure of a	suitable		transported within	vessels and blood.	the way their bodies	
Science Area or	variety of common	temperature to	Explore the	animals, including		function.	
Forest Schools.	flowering plants,	grow and stay	requirements of	humans.	Living Things and	· · · · · · ·	
	including trees.	healthy.	plants for life and		their Habitats	Living Things and	
Talk about what			growth (air, light,	Identify the different	Explain the	their Habitats	
they see, using a	Animals inc.	Animals inc	water, nutrients	types of teeth in	differences in the	Describe how living	
wide vocabulary.	Humans	Humans	from soil, and	humans and their	life cycles of a	things are classified	
(KUW) Provide a	Identify and name	Notice that	room to grow) and	simple functions.	mammal, an	into broad groups	
wide variety of	a variety of	animals, including	how they vary	Constructiond	amphibian, an	according to common	
equipment to	common animals	humans, have	from plant to	Construct and	insect and a bird.	observable	
support	including fish,	offspring which	plant. Investigate	interpret a variety of	Describe the life	characteristics and	
investigations and amphibians, grow into adults. the way in which food chains, Describe the life based on similarities through frequent reptiles, birds and Find out about and water is identifying process of and differences,							
use children	mammals Identify	describe the basic	transported within	producers, predators	reproduction in	including micro-	
become experts at	and name a	needs of animals,	plants.	and prey.	some plants and	organisms, plants	
using them. Model	variety of common	including humans,	plants.		animals.	and animals.	
using them. Model		including numans,	l	1	annais.	and animals.	

observational and	animals that are	for survival	Explore the part	Living Things and	
investigational	carnivores,	(water, food and	that flowers play	their Habitats	Give reasons for
skills. Asking out	herbivores and	air). Describe the	in the life cycle of	Identify and name a	classifying plants and
loud: "Can I?" "If	omnivores.	importance for	flowering plants,	variety of living	animals based on
I?" "What if?"		humans of	including	things (plants and	specific
Introduce new	Describe and	exercise, eating	pollination, seed	animals) in the local	characteristics.
vocabulary,	compare the	the right amounts	formation and	and wider	
encouraging	structure of a	of different types	seed dispersal.	environment, using	Evolution &
children to use it to	variety of common	of food, and		classification keys to	Inheritance
discuss their	animals (fish,	hygiene.	Animals inc	assign them to	Recognise that living
findings and ideas	amphibians,	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	Humans	groups.	things have changed
confidently.	reptiles, birds and	Living Things and	Identify that	5 1	over time and that
,	mammals	their Habitats	animals, including	Recognise that	fossils provide
	including pets).	Explore and	humans, need the	environments can	information about
	51 /	compare the	right types and	change and that this	living things that
	Identify, name,	differences	amount of	can sometimes pose	inhabited the Earth
	draw and label the	between things	nutrition, and that	dangers to living	millions of years ago.
	basic parts of the	that are living,	they cannot make	things.	, and the second second
	human body and	dead, and things	their own food;		Recognise that living
	say which part of	that have never	they get nutrition		things produce
	the body is	been alive.	from what they		offspring of the same
	associated with		eat.		kind, but normally
	each sense.	Identify that most			offspring vary and
		living things live in	Identify that		are not identical to
		habitats to which	humans and some		their parents.
		they are suited	animals have		Identify how animals
		and describe how	skeletons and		and plants are
		different habitats	muscles for		adapted to suit their
		provide for the	support,		environment in
		basic needs of	protection and		different ways and
		different kinds of	movement.		that adaptation may
		animals and	movement.		lead to evolution.
		plants, and how			
		they depend on			
		each other.			
		Identify and name			
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		a variety of plants			
		and animals in			
		their habitats,			

including micro- habitats.		
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.		

Key Knowledge Area:

Foundation- Embedding Science

KUW- Children know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another. They make observations of animals and plants and explain why some things occur and talk about changes.

KS1 and KS2 - Chemistry

## Throughout their school career, a North Downs pupil will...

Foundation	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year5	Year 6
Explore the natural	Everyday	Everyday	Rocks	States of Matter	Properties and	
world around	Materials	Materials Identify	Compare and	Compare and group	Changes of Matter	
them. (KUW)	Distinguish	and compare the	group together	materials together,	Compare and group	
Provide children	between an object	suitability of a	different kinds of	according to whether	together everyday	
with frequent	and the material	variety of	rocks on the basis	they are solids,	materials based on	
opportunities for	from which it is	everyday	of their	liquids or gases.	evidence from	
outdoor play and	made.	materials,	appearance and		comparative and	
exploration.		including wood,	simple physical	Observe that some	fair tests, including	
	Identify and name	metal, plastic,	properties.	materials change	their hardness,	
Encourage	a variety of	glass, brick, rock,		state when they are	solubility,	
interactions with	everyday	paper and	Describe in simple	heated or cooled,	transparency,	
the outdoors that	materials,	cardboard for	terms how fossils	and measure or	conductivity	
will foster curiosity	including wood,	particular uses.	are formed when	research the	(electrical and	
and give children	plastic, glass,		things that have	temperature at	thermal), and	
the freedom to use	metal, water, and	Find out how the	lived are trapped	which this happens in	response to	
their senses (touch,	rock.	shapes of solid	within rock.	degrees Celsius (°C).	magnets.	
smell and hear) in		objects made from	Recognise that			
the natural world		some materials	soils are made			

during bands an	Describe the	con bo changed by	from rocks and	Identify the next	Lindorstond that	
during hands-on		can be changed by	from rocks and	Identify the part	Understand that	
experiences.	simple physical	squashing,	organic matter.	played by	some materials will	
	properties of a	bending, twisting		evaporation and	dissolve in liquid to	
Enable	variety of	and stretching.		condensation in the	form a solution,	
opportunities to	everyday			water cycle and	and describe how	
discuss how we care	materials.			associate the rate of	to recover a	
for the natural				evaporation with	substance from a	
world around us.	Compare and			temperature.	solution.	
	group together a					
Describe what they	variety of				Use knowledge of	
see, hear and feel	everyday				solids, liquids and	
whilst outside.	materials on the				gases to decide	
(KUW) Encourage	basis of their				how mixtures	
focused observation	simple physical				might be	
of the natural	properties.				separated,	
world.					including through	
					filtering, sieving	
Encourage positive					and evaporating.	
interaction with the						
outside world,					Give reasons,	
offering children a					based on evidence	
chance to take					from comparative	
supported risks,					and fair tests, for	
appropriate to					the particular uses	
themselves and the					of everyday	
environment within					materials,	
which they are in.					including metals,	
, <b>,</b>					wood and plastic.	
Name and describe						
some plants and					Demonstrate that	
animals children are					dissolving, mixing	
likely to see in their					and changes of	
surrounding					state are reversible	
environments.					changes. Explain	
					that some changes	
Create					result in the	
opportunities to					formation of new	
work together to					materials, and that	
develop and					this kind of change	
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					is not usually	

appreciate others					reversible,	
creative ideas.					including changes	
					associated with	
					burning and the	
					action of acid on	
					bicarbonate of	
					soda	
Key Knowledge Are						
Foundation- (Pract	ical Activities/Idea	s)				
KUW- Children kno	w about similaritie	s and differences i	n relation to place	s, objects, materials	and living things. Tl	ney talk about the
features of their ov	wn immediate envi	ronment and how e	environments migh	t vary from one anot	her. They make obs	servations of
animals and plants	and explain why so	ome things occur a	nd talk about chan	ges.		
KS1 and KS2 - Phys		3				
Throughout the		er, a North Dow	ns pupil will			
Foundation	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year5	Year 6
Suggestions:	Seasonal Changes		Light	Sound	Earth & Space	Light
Contrasting pieces	Observe changes		Notice that light is	Identify how sounds	Describe the	Understand that light
of bark, different	across the four		reflected from	are made,	movement of the	appears to travel in
types of leaves and	seasons.		surfaces.	associating some of	Earth, and other	straight lines.
seeds, different				them with something	planets, relative to	
types of rocks,	Observe and		Find patterns that	vibrating.	the Sun in the solar	Use the idea that
different shells and	describe weather		determine the size		system. Describe	light travels in
pebbles from the	associated with		of shadows.	Find patterns	the movement of	straight lines to
beach Magnifying	the seasons and			between the pitch of	the Moon relative	explain that objects
glasses or a tablet	how day length		Forces & Magnets	a sound and features	to the Earth.	are seen because
with a magnifying	varies		Notice that some	of the object that		they give out or
app, Petri dishes.			forces need	produced it.	Describe the Sun,	reflect light into the
			contact between		Earth and Moon as	eye.
Be able to talk			two objects, but	Find patterns	approximately	
about what they			magnetic forces	between the volume	spherical bodies.	Explain that we see
see.			can act at a	of a sound and the		things because light
			distance. Compare	strength of the	Use the idea of the	travels from light
Observe and			and group	vibrations that	Earth's rotation to	sources to our eyes
interact with			together a variety	produced it.	explain day and	or from light sources
natural processes,			of everyday		night.	to objects and then
such as ice melting,			materials on the	Electricity		to our eyes.
a sound causing a			basis of whether	Identify common	Forces & Magnets	
vibration, light			they are attracted	appliances that run	Explain that	Use the idea that
travelling through			to a magnet, and	on electricity.	unsupported	light travels in

	Ask simple questions and recognising that they can be answered in different ways.		Ask relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them.		Plan different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary.			
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Throughout the				1				
Key Knowledge	Key Knowledge Area: KS1 & 2 Working Scientifically							
				associate metals with being good conductors.		symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram.		
children and their families as they start school.				Recognise some common conductors and insulators, and		switches. Use recognised		
could include the backgrounds of				simple series circuit.		of buzzers and the on/off position of		
places objects and materials from those places and				associate this with whether or not a lamp lights in a	springs.	function, including the brightness of bulbs, the loudness		
cultures looking specifically at				switch opens and closes a circuit and	such as gears, pulleys, levers and	reasons for variations in how components		
Similarities and differences in				Recognise that a	through mechanical devices	Compare and give		
Recognise familiar plants and animals whilst outside.				lamp is part of a complete loop with a battery.	Understand that force and motion can be transferred	number and voltage of cells used in the circuit.		
animals.			which poles are facing.	circuit, based on whether or not the	moving surfaces.	or the volume of a buzzer with the		
seen whilst outside, including plants and			each other, depending on	not a lamp will light in a simple series	and friction, that act between	Associate the brightness of a lamp		
Describe and commenting on things they have			Predict whether two magnets will attract or repel	buzzers. Identify whether or	Identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance	source changes.		
an object and a boat floating on water.			Describe magnets as having two poles.	and naming its basic parts, including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and	acting between the Earth and the falling object.	cast them, and to predict the size of shadows when the position of the light		
material, an object casting a shadow, a magnet attracting			magnetic materials.	Construct a simple series electrical circuit, identifying	towards the Earth because of the force of gravity	explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that		
transparent			identify some	Constructionalis	objects fall	straight lines to		

Observe closely, using simple	Set up simple practical enquiries,	Take measurements, using a range of
equipment.	comparative and fair tests.	scientific equipment, with increasing
		accuracy and precision, taking repeat
Perform simple tests. Identifying and	Make systematic and careful observations	readings when appropriate.
classifying.	and, where appropriate, taking accurate	
	measurements using standard units, using	Record data and results of increasing
Use their observations and ideas to	a range of equipment, including	complexity using scientific diagrams and
suggest answers to questions.	thermometers and data loggers.	labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs.
Gather and recording data to help in	Gather, recording, classifying and	
answering questions.	presenting data in a variety of ways to	Use test results to make predictions to set
	help in answering questions.	up further comparative and fair tests
		reporting and presenting findings from
	Record findings using simple scientific	enquiries, including conclusions, causal
	language, drawings, labelled diagrams,	relationships and explanations of and a
	keys, bar charts, and tables.	degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other
	Report on findings from enquiries,	presentations.
	including oral and written explanations,	presentations.
	displays or presentations of results and	Identify scientific evidence that has been
	conclusions.	used to support or refute ideas or
		arguments.
	Use results to draw simple conclusions,	5
	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.	