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<p><u>EYFS – Understanding the World</u> <u>Exc ELG 40-60 + months</u></p> <p>- They demonstrate familiarity with basic scientific concepts such as floating, sinking when experimenting</p> <p>-They know the properties of some materials when experimenting</p> <p>-They describe some actions which people in his/her own community do that help to maintain the area he/she lives in</p>	<p><u>Greater Depth</u></p> <p>-make systematic and careful observations and, where appropriate, taking accurate measurements using standard units, using a range of equipment, including thermometers and data loggers</p>	<p><u>Greater Depth</u></p> <p>-make systematic and careful observations and, where appropriate, taking accurate measurements using standard units, using a range of equipment, including thermometers and data loggers</p>	<p><u>Greater Depth</u></p> <p>-take measurements, using a range of scientific equipment, with increasing accuracy and precision, taking repeat readings when appropriate</p>	<p><u>Greater Depth</u></p> <p>-take measurements, using a range of scientific equipment, with increasing accuracy and precision, taking repeat readings when appropriate</p>	<p><u>Greater Depth</u></p> <p>--select, plan and carry out the most appropriate types of scientific enquiries to test predictions.</p>	<p><u>Greater Depth</u></p> <p>-select, plan and carry out the most appropriate types of scientific enquiries to test predictions.</p>



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<p><u>EYFS – Understanding the World ELG 40-60 months</u></p> <p>None for 'record' investigative skills.</p>	-gather and record data to help in answering questions	-gather and record data to help in answering questions	-gather, record, classify and present data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions	-gather, record, classify and present data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions	-record data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs,	-record data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs,
	<p><u>Greater Depth</u></p> <p>-gather, record, classify and present data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions</p> <p>-record findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables</p>	<p><u>Greater Depth</u></p> <p>-gather, record, classify and present data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions</p> <p>-record findings using simple scientific language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables</p>	<p><u>Greater Depth</u></p> <p>-record data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs,</p>	<p><u>Greater Depth</u></p> <p>-record data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs,</p>	<p><u>Greater Depth</u></p> <p>-make and record observations and measurements using a range of methods for different investigations; and evaluate the reliability of methods and suggest possible improvements</p> <p>-present observations and data using appropriate methods, including tables and graphs</p>	<p><u>Greater Depth</u></p> <p>-make and record observations and measurements using a range of methods for different investigations; and evaluate the reliability of methods and suggest possible improvements</p> <p>-present observations and data using appropriate methods, including tables and graphs</p>



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<p><u>EYFS – Understanding the World</u> <u>ELG 40-60 months</u></p> <p>-They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another.</p> <p>- They explain why some things occur, and talk about changes.</p>	<p>-use their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions</p>	<p>-use their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions</p>	<p>-report on findings from enquiries, include oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and conclusions</p> <p>use results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further questions</p> <p>-identify differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes</p> <p>-use straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or to support their findings.</p>	<p>-report on findings from enquiries, include oral and written explanations, displays or presentations of results and conclusions</p> <p>-use results to draw simple conclusions, make predictions for new values, suggest improvements and raise further questions</p> <p>-identify differences, similarities or changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes</p> <p>-use straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions or to support their findings.</p>	<p>-report and present findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations results, explanations of and degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations</p> <p>-identify scientific evidence that has been used to support or refute ideas or arguments.</p> <p>-describe and evaluate their own and other people's scientific ideas related to the topics in the national curriculum (including ideas that have changed over time) using evidence from a range of sources. (*non-statutory)</p> <p>-use appropriate scientific language and ideas to explain, evaluate and communicate the methods and findings. (*non-statutory)</p>	<p>-report and present findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations results, explanations of and degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations</p> <p>-identify scientific evidence that has been used to support or refute ideas or arguments.</p> <p>-describe and evaluate their own and other people's scientific ideas related to the topics in the national curriculum (including ideas that have changed over time) using evidence from a range of sources. (*non-statutory)</p> <p>-use appropriate scientific language and ideas to explain, evaluate and communicate the methods and findings. (*non-statutory)</p>



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***EYFS Science opportunities**

Understanding the World						
Year R (Yr1)	<p>Term 1: About me</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Spiders- making water channels -Which materials will protect Humpty Dumpty -Which animals come out of eggs? 	<p>Term 2: When I go to sleep</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Nocturnal animals- identifying Investigating light and dark -Learning about different light sources -What is in the sky at night? 	<p>Term 3: Who can help me?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Labelling body parts -Exploring senses -How do we keep healthy? - healthy practices including tooth brushing etc 	<p>Term 4: In the land of make believe</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Making potions and observing reactions -Unicorn/ rainbow- colour experiments e.g. skittles experiment/ dying carnations 	<p>Term 5: In the garden</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Growing plants- naming parts of a plant/ observing growth and talking about conditions for growth 	<p>Term 6: Under the sea</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Floating and sinking Making boats- waterproof/ not waterproof -Whale blubber experiment
Year R (Yr2)	<p>Term 1: About me</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Sorting materials- hard/soft -Making porridge -Where do bears live? -Bear hunt- exploring textures 	<p>Term 2: Into the woods</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Which animals live in our woodland? -Forest school focus- identifying different trees -Seasonal changes 	<p>Term 3: Once upon a time</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Growing Beanstalks - labelling a plant -Discussing conditions for growing plants -What would happen to the Gingerbread man if he swam across the river? -Building houses for the Three Little Pigs- choosing materials 	<p>Term 4: Yum yum</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Comparing different countries (Africa/England) -Bread experiment- which condition causes the bread to go mouldy? -Observing decay on different foods 	<p>Term 5: Down on the farm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Identifying different farm animals -Matching animals to their home -Naming animals and their young -Learning about Bees- growing flowers to encourage the bees. 	<p>Term 6: Where shall we go today?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Making flying machines and testing them -Building bridges -Ramps science experiment -Which material makes the best boat?