

## **Progression of skills- KS2 Biology**

Skills Progression: Science Key Stage 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	End of Key Stage Expectations
Area Animals including humans	Identify that animals, including humans, need the right types and amount of nutrition.  Identify that animals, including humans cannot make their own food.  Identify that animals, including humans, get nutrition from what they eat.  Identify that humans and some other animals have skeletons and muscles for support, protection and movement.	Describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive systems in humans.  Identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions.  Construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey.	Describe the changes as humans develop to old age. Including changes experienced in puberty.	Identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and explain the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood.  Recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function.  Describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans.	The pupil can: Name and describe the functions of the main parts of the digestive [(year 4), musculoskeletal ([year 3)] and circulatory systems ([year 6)]; and describe and compare different reproductive processes and life cycles in animals [(year 5).  Describe the effects of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on how the body functions ([year 6)
Area 2 Living Things and their habitats		Recognise that living things can be grouped in a number of ways.  Explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment.  Recognise that environments can change and that this can	Describe the difference in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird.  Describe the process of reproduction in some plants and animals.	Describe how living things are classified into broad group according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro - organisms, plants and animals.  Give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics.	Use the observable features of plants, animals and micro-organisms to group, classify and identify them into broad groups, using keys or other methods ([year 6])  Construct and interpret food chains ([year 4)



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		sometimes pose dangers			
		to living things.			
Area 3 Plants	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.				Name, locate and describe the functions of the main parts of plants, including those involved in reproduction ([year 5) and transporting water and nutrients ([year 3))  describe the requirements of plants for life and growth ([year 3) and explain how environmental changes may have an impact on living things [(year 4)]
Area 4 Evolution and Inheritance				Recognise that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago.  Recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind, but normally offspring vary and	Use the basic ideas of inheritance, variation and adaptation to describe how living things have changed over time and evolved ([year 6) and describe how fossils are formed ([year 3]) and provide evidence for evolution ([year 6])



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				are not identical to their parents.	
				Identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and that adaptation may lead to evolution.	