



Middlewich Primary School Curriculum Science



Our Science curriculum follows the guidelines and aims of development matters for EYFS and the National curriculum in England for Key Stages 1 and 2.

These ensure that all pupils:

- develop scientific knowledge of biology, chemistry and physics
- develop understanding of the nature, processes and methods of science through different types of science enquiries that help them to answer scientific questions about the world around them
- are equipped with the scientific knowledge required to understand the uses and implications of science, today and for the future

EYFS

<u>Seasonal changes</u> Learn about the four seasons.	<u>Animals including Humans</u> Different animals. Human body parts. How humans change as they grow. Keeping healthy.	<u>Materials</u> Name different materials. <u>Changes of state.</u> Ice melting	<u>Earth and Space</u> The 8 planets and the sun.	<u>Forces</u> Effects of gravity, friction and magnetic forces.
<u>Plants</u> Identity plants	<u>Living things and their habitats</u> Where animals live and what they eat.	<u>Fossils</u> Dinosaurs and fossils.	<u>Sound</u> Ears can hear sounds. Loud and quiet, high and low. Vibrations	<u>Electricity</u> Things that use electricity.

Curriculum Overview Key Stage 1

Working Scientifically

Pupils in Years 1 and 2 will use the following practical scientific methods, processes and skills:

- asking simple questions and recognising that they can be answered in different ways
- observing closely, using simple equipment
- performing simple tests
- identifying and classifying
- using their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions
- gathering and recording data to help in answering questions

Pupils will work scientifically to learn about:

Year 1	<u>Plants</u> Identify and name some common plants and their basic structure.	<u>Animals including humans</u> Identify and name a variety of animals including humans.	<u>Everyday materials</u> Identify and describe the properties of some materials.	<u>Seasonal changes</u> Learn about the four seasons.
Year 2	<u>Plants</u> The things plants need to survive.	<u>Animals including humans</u> How animals including humans survive and stay healthy.	<u>Everyday materials</u> Materials and their uses. Look at how a material's shape can be changed.	<u>Living things and their habitats</u> Habitats and food.

Curriculum Overview Lower Key Stage 2

Working Scientifically

Pupils in Years 3 and 4 will use the following practical scientific methods, processes and skills:

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

Pupils will work scientifically to learn about:

Year 3	<u>Plants</u> Functions of the parts of a plant.	<u>Animals including humans</u> Nutrition, skeletons and muscles.	<u>Rocks</u> Rocks, soils and fossils	<u>Forces and Magnets</u> How things move on different surfaces and magnets.	<u>Light</u> Light and shadows.
Year 4	<u>Living things and their habitats</u> Classification. Impact of changes in the environment.	<u>Animals including humans</u> Digestive system and food chains.	<u>States of matter</u> Solids, liquids and gases.	<u>Sound</u> Sound including volume and pitch.	<u>Electricity</u> Simple circuits. Conductors and insulators.

Curriculum Overview Upper Key Stage 2

Working Scientifically

Pupils in Years 3 and 4 will use the following practical scientific methods, processes and skills:

- planning different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary
- taking measurements, using a range of scientific equipment, with increasing accuracy and precision, taking repeat readings when appropriate
- recording data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs
- using test results to make predictions to set up further comparative and fair tests
- reporting 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
- identifying scientific evidence that has been used to support or refute ideas or arguments

Pupils will work scientifically to learn about:

Year 5	<u>All living things and their habitats</u> Life cycles of animals and plants.	<u>Animals including humans</u> Changes as humans develop to old age.	<u>Properties and changes to materials</u> Materials and their properties. Reversible and irreversible changes.	<u>Earth and space</u> Movement of the sun, earth and moon.	<u>Forces</u> Effects of different forces on moving surfaces and mechanisms.
Year 6	<u>Living things and their habitats</u> Classification	<u>Animals, including humans</u> Circulatory system, digestive system. Impact of lifestyle.	<u>Evolution and inheritance</u> Changes over time. Offspring and adaptations.	<u>Light</u> How we see. Shadows.	<u>Electricity</u> Voltage and output in circuits.