	Animals including Humans	Materials	Plants	Living things and Habitats	Physics
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Year 1	Animal groups; herbivores/carnivores/omniv ores	Identify and name everyday materials	Identify and name common plants		
Year 2	Basic needs for survival	Properties of materials	Conditions for growth	Classifying living and non- living things	
Year 3	Skeletal and muscles systems; nutrition	Rocks and their properties	Function of different parts of a flowering plant; lifecycle		Light (sources, reflection, shadows); Forces and magnets (attract and repel)
Year 4	Digestive system, including food chain	Changing states of matter (solid, liquids, gas / water cycle)		Grouping animals; classification key	Electricity (simple series circuit; parts of a circuit) and sound
Year 5	Growth and development to old age	Suitability of materials (incl electrical and thermal); changing and mixing materials		Life processes in plants and animals	Forces (air and water resistance, friction); Earth in space
Year 6	Circulatory system			Classification (incl micro- organisms); Evolution and Inheritance	Light (light travel); electricity (changing circuits (voltage, brightness)), use symbols in circuit diagrams