Farncombe Church of England Infant School

<u>Progression of Skills - Science</u>

EYFS - SKILL	VOCABULARY
1. Ask questions	Same, different, compare, group, sort
Demonstrate curiosity about the world around them.	look closely, describe
2. Make predictions	question, answer
With support or prompting, talk about what they think might happen based on their own	
experiences.	
3. Decide how to carry out an enquiry	
Respond to prompts to say what happened to objects, living things or events.	
4. Take Measurements	
Use senses and simple equipment to explore the world around the eg magnifying glasses.	
5. Record data	
Talk to an adult about what has been found or found out.	
6 Present Data	
Talk to an adult about what has been found or found out.	
7. Answer questions using data	
With support, try to explain why things happen	
8.Draw conclusions	
With support, talk about what they have found out or what they think might happen next.	

YEAR 1 – SKILL	VOCABULARY
1. Ask questions	
Ask simple questions in response to their exploration of the world.	question, answer, same, different, compare, sort
2. Make predictions	
Respond to suggestions to connect what they have observed with possible further action/	
observation.	predict
3. Decide how to carry out an enquiry	
Perform simple tests to explore an idea suggested to them, with support.	
4. Take Measurements	idea, plan, test,
Observe objects, living things, events and the world around them closely using senses and	
simple equipment. Make measurements using non-standard units, or standard units.	
5. Record and present data	measure, observe, standard units if appropriate,
Record evidence in simple templates provided to help answering questions. Drawings or	
photographs with labels. Talk about findings.	

6 Present data

as for 5.

7. Answer questions using data

With support, try to connect what was observed or found & suggest possible further action

8.Draw conclusions

Use their ideas to suggest answers to questions. Say what has changed when observing objects, living things or events.

diagram, label, block graph, chart, sets,

YEAR 2 SKILL	VOCABULARY
1. Ask questions	similarities, differences, compare, sort, classify, observe
Ask simple questions about their experiences and observations and with support use them	question, answer, magnifying glass
to suggest ways to answer a question or solve a problem, recognising that some can be	
answered in different ways.	
2. Make predictions	predict
Use their observations and ideas to make predictions. Use understanding of what has been	
observed or own experience to predict outcomes of further actions/ observations.	
3. Decide how to carry out an enquiry	
Identify things to observe or measure that are relevant to a question or idea being	idea, investigation, test, plan evidence, prove, results,
investigated using a simple test. Suggest how we can find things out or collect data to	
answer a question they are investigating.	
4. Take Measurements	
Observe closely and use equipment for observing or measuring correctly. Make	observe, measure, centimetres, metres, degrees Celsius,
measurements using standard and non-standard units.	rain gauge, thermometer,
5. Record data	
Gather and record data (evidence) in increasingly independent ways to help in answering	
questions.	record, Venn Diagram, Carroll Diagram, table
6 Present data	
Report on and record findings as drawings, diagrams, photos, orally, as displays, or in	
simple prepared tables or charts.	diagram, label, photo, block graph, chart
7. Answer questions using data	
Use understanding of what they have observed or own experience and ideas to answer	pattern
questions or solve a problem.	
8.Draw conclusions	Research, secondary sources, biology, physics, chemistry,
Respond to suggestions to use some evidence to answer a question, increasingly	invention and inventors
independently.	