## BILSTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY



## MEDIUM TERM PLANNING

| Subject | Topic/Key Question                  | Year Group | Term     | Time Allocation |
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| Science | The Nature Library (classification) | 6          | Autumn 1 | 14 hours        |

| Lesson<br>Sequence | Time<br>Allocation | Key Question/WALT   | Teaching Activities   | Resources                                 |
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| Lesson 1           | 2 hours            | To demonstrate<br>understanding of the<br>process of classification<br>Working scientifically<br>links:<br>Recording data and<br>results of increasing<br>complexity using<br>scientific diagrams and<br>labels, classification<br>keys, tables, scatter<br>graphs, and bar and<br>line graphs<br>Success criteria:<br>•I can develop a<br>classification system<br>for sweets. | How many different species are in the world? How can we classify them<br>into groups? Show children a set how can we sort them? How many<br>different ways can we sort them?<br>Describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to<br>common observable characteristics and based on similarities and<br>differences, including micro-organisms.<br>Show children different animals how can we sort them? | Twinkl<br>BBC bitesize<br>Collins connect |

|          |               | • I can explain how and<br>why I have classified<br>certain objects in<br>certain ways.   | Share facts about different animal groups.<br>Group organisms by their characteristics.  |                 |
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| Lesson 2 | 2 hours       | To explore the<br>classification of animals<br>and recognise the main<br>group of vertebrates.<br>To explore the<br>classification of the<br>main groups of<br>invertebrates.<br>Working scientifically<br>links:<br>Reporting and<br>presenting findings<br>from enquiries<br>including conclusions,<br>causal relationships<br>and explanations of<br>and degree of trust in<br>results, in oral and<br>written forms such as<br>displays and other | Recap on classification of animals from previous lessons and the<br>characteristics of each group.<br>Give each pair of children a cut up set of cards from Animal card sort<br>(Resource sheet 1) to sort. Ask children to group the animals and be<br>prepared to explain the criteria they have used. Once they have made<br>their groups they should provide a name for each group which indicates<br>why the animals are in that group.<br>Encourage children to think about groups based on combinations of<br>characteristics; for example, if the grouping was simply on 'wings or no<br>wings', they would end up with bats and birds in the same group.<br>However, if the grouping was based on 'wings and feathers', the group<br>would only contain birds.<br>After a few minutes, create a 'marketplace' where pairs visit other pairs<br>to share and listen to their reasons for grouping the animals in a certain<br>way.<br>Gather together as a class and record the most commonly used group<br>names in the class during this activity. Show slides 1 and 2 from the<br>Vertebrates and invertebrates slideshow (Slideshow 1). They should be | Collins Connect |
|          | presentations | familiar and confident with these words now.<br>What is invertebrate/ vertebrate? Discuss   |  |                 |
|          |               | <ul> <li>Success criteria:</li> <li>I can use appropriate vocabulary to classify animals and group vertebrates.</li> <li>I can use observable characteristics to</li> </ul>   | Sort images into vertebrates/ invertebrates  |                 |

|          |         | group and classify<br>vertebrates.<br>•I can apply what I<br>know in order to<br>classify an unknown<br>animal.   |   |                 |
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| Lesson 3 | 2 hours | To apply the process of<br>classification to plants.<br>Working scientifically<br>links:<br>Recording data and<br>results of increasing<br>complexity using<br>scientific diagrams and<br>labels, classification<br>keys, tables, scatter<br>graphs, and bar and<br>line graphs<br>Success criteria:<br>•I can group plants in<br>different ways.<br>•I can explain why I<br>have classified plants<br>in different ways using<br>the features they have<br>in common.<br>• I can describe the<br>classification system<br>that scientists use to<br>classify plants and<br>name the main plant<br>groups | Display the different types of plants so that all children can look at<br>them in detail. Ask them to work independently to record different<br>ways they could sort the plants. Ask what characteristics the plants<br>might have in common that they could use to put them in the same<br>groups. How might they use the characteristics to sort a large number<br>of plants?<br>Share how they have sorted them to the rest of the class. What do they<br>all have in common? How are they different?<br>Introduce the terms vascular and non vascular. What do these terms<br>mean?<br>Use a classification key to sort plants. | Collins connect |
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|                  | <ul> <li>I can use scientific<br/>vocabulary to classify<br/>plants.</li> </ul>  |  |                 |
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| Lesson 4 2 hours | WALT-find out about<br>Carl Linnaeus and his<br>classification system<br>To recognise that the<br>classification system for<br>living things has<br>changed through<br>history and is still<br>changing<br>Working scientifically<br>links:<br>Reporting and<br>presenting findings<br>from enquiries,<br>including conclusions,<br>causal relationships<br>and explanations of<br>and degree of trust in<br>results, in oral and<br>written forms such as<br>displays or other<br>presentations;<br>identifying scientific<br>evidence that has been<br>used to support or<br>refute ideas<br>Success criteria:<br>•I can describe to | Ask: Do you think they have always been classified in this way? Give<br>reasons for your answer.<br>Use the think, pair, share strategy for children to share their key ideas.<br>Show the history of classification (Video 1). Ask children to reconsider<br>their ideas on how the classification of living things has changed over<br>time.<br>Explain to children that they are going to investigate how and why<br>changes in classification have occurred. The challenges are<br>differentiated by the topic that is to be covered and the way in which<br>the findings of children are to be presented to the rest of the class.<br>Why do you think we need to use a classification system? Discuss<br>Use Linnaeus System to classify animals | Collins Connect |

|          |         | <ul> <li>classified living things<br/>in the past.</li> <li>I can explain the<br/>importance of Carl<br/>Linnaeus in the way<br/>we classify living<br/>things.</li> <li>I can suggest reasons<br/>why the classification<br/>systems change over<br/>time.</li> </ul>   |  |                           |
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| Lesson 5 | 2 hours | To recognise that<br>micro-organisms are<br>groups of living things<br>and explain what they<br>are.<br>Working scientifically<br>links:<br>Identifying scientific<br>evidence that has been<br>used to support or<br>refute ideas or<br>arguments<br>Success criteria:<br>•I can explain that<br>plants and animals are<br>not the only groups of<br>living things.<br>• I can explain what<br>micro-organisms are. | What do you think is the smallest living thing you can<br>see? Do you think there are things that are even smaller?<br>Ask children to make a list of everything they can think of and then to<br>share their list with a partner.<br>As a class, discuss the ideas children have come up with and show What<br>can you see? (Slideshow 1). You may also find it useful to print out a set<br>of the images per table group to allow children to explore the images<br>more closely. Ask them what they think the images are of and to<br>discuss in their table groups.<br>If children do not refer to 'micro-organisms' by this stage, introduce the<br>term now. Explain that the images they can see are all of micro-<br>organisms viewed through a very powerful microscope. Explain that<br>micro-organisms are also living things and are divided into three<br>groups: fungi, bacteria and protista<br>What are micro-organisms?<br>Look at different micro organisms. Which are helpful/harmful?<br>GIVE CHILDREN A SET OF MICRO-ORGANISMS AND SORT INTO HELPFUL<br>AND HARMFUL.<br>ENQUIRE: | Collins connect<br>Twinkl |

|  | <ul> <li>I can begin to<br/>organise micro-<br/>organisms based on<br/>their common<br/>observable<br/>characteristics.</li> <li>I can present my<br/>findings to others.</li> </ul> | Explain to children that they are now going to look more closely at what<br>micro-organisms are.<br>Challenge 1: Children investigate the nature of micro-organisms and<br>present their findings in a posterAsk the children to look again at the<br>photographs they have already seen and sort them into bacteria, fungi<br>and protista.<br>Ask: In what ways are the organisms in each group the<br>same? In what ways are the groups different?<br>Using secondary sources, ask the children to find out how we know<br>micro-organisms are small and what are the characteristics of the three<br>kinds.<br>Challenge 2: Children investigate how micro-organisms can be helpful<br>and share their findings in a presentation<br>Ask the children to use secondary sources to find out how micro-<br>organisms can be helpful in our lives. Split the group into pairs and ask<br>one child to focus their research into how micro-organisms are useful in<br>food production (yoghurt and cheese, for example) and the other to<br>focus on how micro-organisms can help us with medicines such as<br>penicillin.<br>They should come together to share their findings in a presentation<br>such as PowerPoint or Smart notebook. Ask them to restrict their slides<br>to six bullet points each to get them to focus on the key facts. They will<br>be asked to share these in the Reflect and review section.<br>Challenge 3: Children investigate how micro-organisms can be harmful<br>and share their findings via a method of their choice<br>Ask the children to use secondary sources to find out how micro-<br>organisms can be harmful to us. Give the following statistic to the |  |
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|  |  | organisms can be harmful to us. Give the following statistic to the<br>group: Almost 99% of bacteria are helpful. Disease is caused by only a<br>few of them. Ask them to investigate which diseases are caused by<br>bacteria and to specifically focus on what we can do to prevent them<br>from causing harm to our health.   |  |

|          |         |  | They should present their information in any way they feel appropriate,<br>remembering that it needs to be helpful to others. These presentations<br>could form part of a class display or be made into information posters<br>to be displayed around the school.  |                 |
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| Lesson 6 | 2 hours | To investigate the<br>growth of micro-<br>organisms<br>Working scientifically<br>links:<br>Planning different types<br>of enquiries to answer<br>questions including<br>recognising and<br>controlling variables<br>where necessary<br>Success criteria:<br>•I can plan an<br>investigation to grow<br>microorganisms<br>carefully, considering<br>health and safety.<br>• I can closely and<br>systematically observe<br>changes in the growth<br>of micro-organisms.<br>• I can present my<br>findings to others and<br>give reasons for my<br>conclusions about the | Ask children where they might have seen micro-organisms growing. If<br>they are not sure, rephrase the question to where have they seen<br>mould growing. Remind them that mould is a micro organism.<br>Ask: In what type of conditions do you think moulds grow<br>best? Why might investigating microorganisms be<br>particularly difficult?<br>As they think about their answers, remind children of what they<br>learned in the last lesson about micro-organisms being very small and<br>invisible to the naked eye. In order to see them, we need to grow some<br>that multiply until they are visible with the naked eye.<br>Remind children about the work children did for Challenge 3 in the<br>previous lesson, when they researched how harmful micro-organisms<br>can be.<br>Explain to children that they are going to plan and set up investigations<br>to find out in which conditions some micro-organisms grow best. At this<br>stage, the challenges all involve growing their own micro-organisms in<br>controlled conditions. Depending on the resources available to you, you<br>should split these groups into smaller groups (ideally twos or threes) to<br>allow children to be as hands-on with their investigation as possible.<br>Plan and set up mould investigation with bread. | Collins Connect |

|          |         | growth of micro-<br>organisms.  |   |  |
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| Lesson 7 | 2 hours | WALT- find out about<br>helpful organisms<br>Working scientifically<br>links:<br>Planning different types<br>of enquiries to answer<br>questions including<br>recognising and<br>controlling variables<br>where necessary | Recap on what you already know about organisms. Today we are going<br>to find out about helpful organisms and how they have helped over<br>time.<br>Who is Louis Pasteur?<br>Has anyone heard of him?<br>In pairs research who he is? What he is famous for etc.<br>Create a non chronological report on Louis Pasteur. |  |