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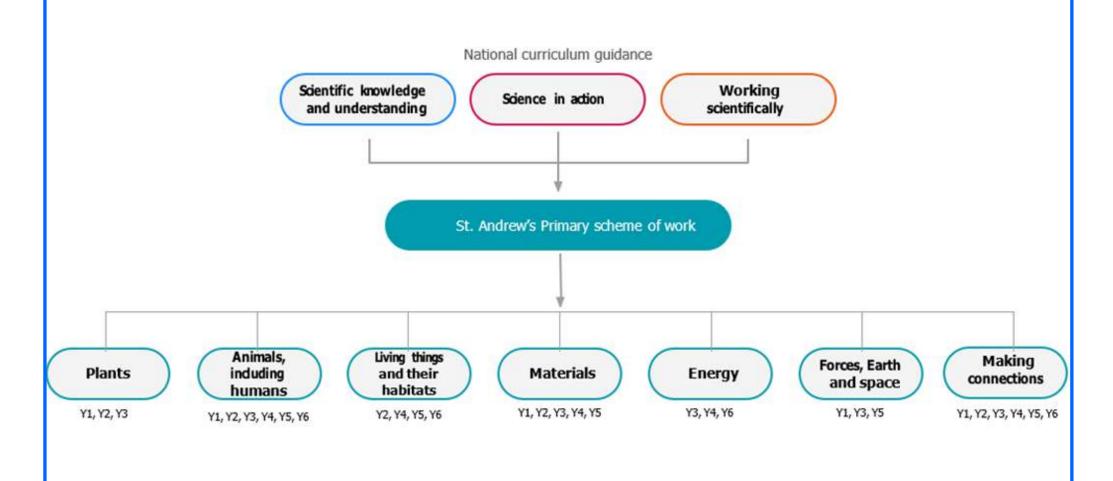


National Curriculum guidance Working Scientific knowledge Science in action scientifically and understanding The St. Andrew's Primary Science curriculum is divided into seven key areas. Animals, Living things Making Forces, Earth Materials Energy **Plants** including and their and space connections humans habitats

For each key area, component knowledge has been identified to help children achieve the targets set out in the National curriculum programmes of study for Science. These knowledge statements have been organised under themes to help clarify progression and show the scientific knowledge and understanding developed in each year group and how this builds.

A Science: Key skills and knowledge by unit and year group document will be available once the full scheme is published, showing which units give coverage of each of the statements in this document.

How is the Science scheme of work organised?



| | | Year 1 Introduction to plants | Year 2 Plant growth | Year 3 Plant reproduction |
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| ling | Plant structure and function | To know a variety of common plants, and how they differ. To know that deciduous trees lose their leaves seasonally, but evergreen trees do not. To know the basic structure (including leaves, flowers (blossom), petals, fruit, roots, bulb, seed, trunk, branches, stem) of a variety of common plants, including flowering plants and trees. | | To understand the functions of the basic parts of a plant and the relationship between structure and function. To know that water is transported within a plant from the root, through the stem, to the leaves. |
| owledge and understanding | Plant growth and needs | To begin to understand how plants grow and change over time. | To know that seeds and bulbs grow into seedlings by producing roots and shoots. To know that seedlings grow into mature plants by developing parts, that may include stems/trunks, leaves, flowers and fruits. To know that seeds need water to germinate. To know that plants need water, light and a suitable temperature for growth and health. | To know that plants need water, light, air, nutrients/fertilizer and a suitable temperature for growth and health. To understand that the needs for growth and health vary from plant to plant. |
| Scientific knowledge | Plant life cycle | | | To know the life cycle of a plant from seed to mature plant. To know that flowers are the reproductive organ of a plant. To know that the process of pollination is the transfer of pollen to the female (part of the) flower. To know that the process of seed formation is the growth of a seed after pollination/fertilisation. To know some different methods of seed dispersal and the benefits of each. |

Animals, including humans

| | Year 1 Sensitive bodies Comparing animals | Year 2 Life cycles and health | Year 3 Movement and nutrition |
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| Amino Caronada | To know a variety of common animals (including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals). | To understand how living things change, and that animals have offspring that grow into adults. To know which offspring comes from which parent animal. To know the stages in some animal life cycles. | |
| Animal etructure and function | To know the main body parts of common animals (arms, legs, wings, tails, fins, head, trunk, horns/tusks, shell) To know key parts of the human body (including head, neck, arms, elbows, legs, knees, face, ears, eyes, hair, mouth, teeth). To know the five main senses: sight, smell, hearing, taste and touch. To know that eyes are used for sight, the nose is used for smell, ears are used for hearing, the tongue and mouth are used for taste and the skin is used for touch. | | To know that animals can be grouped based on the presence of a skeleton. To know that the skeleton in humans and some animals is used for movement, protection and support. To know that the muscular system in humans and some animals works with the skeleton for movement. To know the main bones in the body. |
| Hoofft and nutrition | To know that a carnivore is an animal that eats other animals and to give some examples. To know that a herbivore is an animal that eats only plants and to give some examples. To know that an omnivore is an animal that eats both animals and plants, and to give some examples. | To know that animals, including humans, need water, food and air to survive. To understand the importance of exercise, a balanced diet and hygiene for humans. | To know that animals, including humans, need the right types and amount of nutrition. To understand that humans cannot make their own food and therefore eat to get the nutrition needed. To know the main food groups (carbohydrates, protein, fats, fibre, vitamins, minerals and water) and their simple functions. To know that a balanced diet should include all food groups. To describe the diets of different animals. |

Animals, including humans

| | | Year 4 Digestion and food | Year 5 Human timeline | Year 6 Circulation and exercise |
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| | Animal growth | | To describe the human life cycle, including the stages of growth and development (baby, toddler, child, teenager, adult, elderly). To describe changes that occur during puberty (in boys and girls). To know that gestation periods vary across mammals. | |
| ige and understanding | Animal structure and function | To know the main organs of the human digestive system (mouth, teeth, tongue, oesophagus, stomach, small and large intestines) and describe their simple functions. To know the different types of human teeth (incisor, canine, premolar and molar) and their simple functions. | | To know the main parts of the human circulatory system (heart, blood vessels and blood). To know that the heart pumps blood around the body. To know that the blood vessels transport blood around the body. To know that the blood transports vital substances around the body, including oxygen and nutrients. To understand the relationships between different organ systems. |
| Scientific knowledge and understanding | Health and nutrition | To know that teeth can be damaged, including the effect of sugary and acidic food. To know that it is important to brush teeth twice a day, make good food choices and visit the dentist regularly. To describe the teeth of carnivores and herbivores, and understand why they are different. To know that predators hunt for their food and prey are the animals being hunted. To know that producers make their own food. To know that food chains begin with a producer followed by consumers, and arrows to show the energy passed on. | | To understand the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way a body functions. To know that the heart rate is the number of beats per minute and breathing rate is the number of breaths per minute. To know that exercise increases heart and breathing rates. |

Living things and their habitats

| | Year 2 Habitats Microhabitats | Year 4 Classification and changing habitats |
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| Characteristics of living things | To begin to understand some of the life processes, including movement, reproduction, sensitivity, growth, excretion and nutrition. To know the difference between things that are living, dead, and things that have never been alive, using some of the life processes. | To know that living things can be grouped in different ways. To know that a classification key can be used to group and identify plants and animals. To know that vertebrates are animals which have a backbone and invertebrates are animals which do not have a backbone. To know that plants can be grouped into flowering or non-flowering varieties. To know that flowering plants include grasses and non-flowering plants includes ferns animosses. To know that there are five main vertebrate groups: birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians and fish. To know that invertebrate groups include snails, slugs, worms, spiders and insects. |
| Variation and inheritance | To know a variety of plants and animals and describe some differences. | |
| Habitats and interdependence | To name a variety of habitats, including woodland, ocean, rainforest and seashore. To know that a habitat is the environment where an animal or plant lives/ grows, because it provides what they need to survive. To know that a micro-habitat is a very small habitat (e.g. stones, logs and leaf litter). To know that living things depend upon each other (e.g. for food, shelter.) To understand that a food chain can be used to show how animals obtain food from eating either plants and/or other animals. | To know that habitats can change throughout the year and this can be dangerous for living things. To know that humans can have both a positive and negative impact on the environment. |

Living things and their habitats

| | Year 5 Life cycles and reproduction | Year 6 Classifying big and small Evolution and inheritance |
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| Characteristics of living things | | To know that 'organism' is a term used to refer to an individual living thing. To know that micro-organisms are incredibly small and cannot usually be seen by the naked eye. To know the characteristics of the different groups of vertebrates and commonly found invertebrates. |
| Variation and inheritance | To know that a life cycle shows the changes an animal or plant goes through until the reproduction of a new generation when the cycle starts again. To know that all living things must reproduce for the species to survive. To know that sexual reproduction requires two parents, whereas asexual reproduction only requires one parent. To know that there are different processes plants and animals use to reproduce (asexual and sexual reproduction). | To know that living things have changed over time. To know that fossils provide us with information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago. To know that characteristics are passed from parents to their offspring, but that all offspring vary from their parents. To know that over time, variation in offspring can affect animals' chances of survival in particular environments. |
| Habitats and interdependence | | To know that animals and plants have adapted to suit their environment over many millions of years and that this process can be called evolution. |

Materials

| | Year 1 Everyday materials | Year 2 Uses of everyday materials | Year 3 Rocks and soil |
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| Identifying and naming | To know that objects are items or things. To know that a material is what an object is made from. To identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water and rock. | | To know that rocks can be grouped based on their appearance or properties, (e.g. colour, texture, hardness, permeability.) To know that rocks may contain grains, crystals or fossils. To know that grains and crystals appear differently and can be used to classify rocks. To know that soils are made from rocks and dead matter. |
| Properties and uses | To know that property refers to how a material can be described. To describe the physical properties of a variety of everyday materials. To understand that materials can be grouped based on their physical properties. | To know why objects are made from particular materials and to give examples of their suitability. To know that one material can be used for a range of purposes (and to give examples.) To know that different materials can be used for the same purpose (and to give examples.) To know why certain materials are unsuitable for particular objects. | To understand the relationship between the properties of rocks and their uses. |
| Change | | To know that a force must be applied to change the shape of a solid object. To know that solid objects can be squashed, bent, twisted or stretched. To know that different solid objects may take a different amount of force to change shape. | To know that fossils can form from the remains of living things. To know that rocks can change over time (e.g. erosion, weathering). |

| | Year 4 States of matter | Year 5 Mixtures and separation Properties and changes |
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| Identifying and naming | To know that all substances around us can exist as solids, liquids and gases. | |
| Properties and uses | To know that a property of a solid is that it keeps its shape unless a force is applied to it. To know that a property of a liquid can <u>flow</u> freely and take on the shape of a container. To know that a property of a gas does not have a fixed shape and can escape from an unsealed container. | To describe a broader range of materials and their properties, including hardness, solubility, transparency, conductivity and response to magnets. |
| Change | To know that heating causes solids to turn into liquids (melting) and liquids to turn into gases (evaporating). To know that cooling causes gases to turn into liquids (condensing) and liquids to turn into solids (freezing). To know that water can exist as a solid, a liquid or a gas. To know that the melting point of water is zero degrees Celsius and the boiling point of water is 100 degrees Celsius. To know that water flows around the world in a continuous process called the water cycle. To know that in the water cycle, evaporation is when bodies of water are heated and turn into water vapour. To know that in the water cycle, condensation is the process of water vapour cooling to form water droplets in clouds, which can result in precipitation. To know that the rate of evaporation increases as temperature rises. | To know that some substances will dissolve in a liquid to form a solution. To know the factors that affect the time taken to dissolve, including temperature and stirring. To understand that dissolving, mixing and changes of state are reversible changes. To know that some liquids and solids can be separated using sieving, filtering and evaporation and to describe these processes. To understand that some changes result in the formation of new materials and that these are usually irreversible. (e.g., burning, rusting, the action of acid on bicarbonate of soda.) |

Energy

| | Li | ght | Sound |
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| | Year 3 Light and shadows | Year 6 Light and reflection | Year 4 Sound and vibrations |
| Sources | To know that light travels from a source (e.g. the Sun, light bulbs and torches). To know that light is needed to see things and that dark is the absence of light. To know that light from the Sun can be dangerous and how to protect their eyes. | To know that light travels in a straight line from a light source. To understand that luminous objects are seen as a result of light directly entering the eye, whereas non-luminous objects reflect light into the eye. | To understand that sound is a result of vibrations. |
| Transfer | To know that all materials reflect light. To know that shadows are formed when the light from a light source is blocked by an opaque object. | To know that shiny surfaces reflect light uniformly. To know that when light is reflected off a surface, its direction changes. To know that mirrors and periscopes work using reflection of light on smooth surfaces. To understand why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them as a result of light travelling in straight lines. To understand relationships between light sources, objects and shadows. | To know that vibrations from sounds travel through mediums to the ear. To know that an insulating material reduces the amount of vibrations that pass through it and this can be used to protect the ears from damaging sounds. To know that different materials provide different amounts of insulation against sound. |
| Factors affecting energy | To know that shadows change as a result of different factors: Changing the position of the light source. Changing the distances between the light source, object and surface. To know that shadows change position and length throughout the day as the Sun changes position in the sky. | To understand how and why the distance between the object and the screen affects the size of the shadow. To understand how the angle of a reflected ray is affected by the angle of the incoming ray on a smooth surface. | To know a variety of ways to change the pitch or volume of a sound. To know that quicker vibrations cause higher-pitched sounds and slower vibrations cause lower-pitched sounds. To know that stronger vibrations cause louder sounds and weaker vibrations cause quieter sounds. To know that sounds get fainter as the distance from the sound source increases. |

| | Elect | tricity |
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| | Year 4 Electricity and circuits | Year 6 Circuits, batteries and switches |
| | To know that all electrical appliances need a power source, including batteries or mains electricity. | To know a wider variety of components in a series circuit (including buzzer and motor). |
| Sources | To know that an electrical circuit needs a complete path for the electrical charge to flow through. | To know the conventions used to draw circuit diagrams, including the recognise symbols for common components and using straight lines. |
| nos | To know the main components in a simple series circuit. | |
| | To know the precautions for working safely with electricity. | |
| | To know that some materials allow electrical charge to pass through them quickly and these are known as electrical conductors (e.g. metals). | |
| Transfer | To know that some materials do not allow electrical charge to pass through them easily and these are known as electrical insulators (e.g. wood and plastic). | |
| Trai | To know that metals are used for cables and wires because they are good conductors of electricity. | |
| | To know that plastic is used to cover cables and wires because it is a good insulator. | |
| energy Transfer | To understand that an open switch breaks a series circuit so the components will be off. | To know that the voltage of a circuit can be changed and how this affects bulb brightness (or buzzer volume). |
| Factors affecting energy | To understand that a closed switch completes a series circuit so the components will be on. | |
| Factors | To understand the relationship between bulb brightness and the number of bulbs in a circuit. | |

Forces, Earth and space

| | Year 1 Seasonal changes | Year 5 Earth and space |
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| Key facts | To know the name and order of the four seasons; spring, summer, autumn and winter. To know that it is unsafe to look directly at the Sun. | To know that the Sun is a star at the centre of our solar system. To know that the Sun, Earth and Moon are approximately spherical bodies. To know the names, order and relative positions of the planets and other main celestial bodies. To know that a moon is a celestial body that orbits a planet and give examples of moons that orbit other planets. |
| Forces in motion | To know weather associated with the four seasons and how it changes (in the UK). To understand that day length varies across the four seasons, with fewer daylight hours in the winter and more in the summer. | To know that the Earth and other planets orbit around the Sun. To know that the tilt of the Earth and its orbit around the Sun causes the seasons. To know that the Moon orbits around the Earth. To understand how the Earth's rotation causes day and night and the apparent movement of the Sun across the sky. |
| Factors affecting forces | | |

Forces, Earth and space

| | | Year 3 Forces and magnets | Year 5 Imbalanced forces |
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| | | To know some examples of contact and non-contact forces. | To know that gravity is a non-contact force that pulls objects together. |
| | | To know that some forces are a result of contact between two surfaces, but some forces can act at a distance (e.g. magnetism). | To know that air resistance and water resistance are both types of friction. |
| | cts | To know the North and South poles of a magnet. | |
| | Key facts | To know some examples of magnetic materials, including iron and nickel, and how they react to a magnet and each other. | |
| | | To know some different examples of magnets, including bar, horseshoe, button and ring, | |
| | | To know some uses of magnets. | |
| | uoi | To know that friction is a contact force that acts between two surfaces to slow an object down. | To know that unsupported objects fall towards the Earth because of gravity. |
| | | To know that magnetism is a non-contact force that affects objects containing magnetic metal. | To know that friction, air resistance and water resistance act in the opposite direction to a moving object. |
| | Forces in motion | To understand that the opposite poles of a magnet attract one another and like poles repel one another. | To know that when forces are imbalanced, the speed, shape or direction of an object changes. |
| | Force | poles reper one another. | To know that when forces are balanced the speed, shape or direction of an object stays the same. |
| | | | To know that some mechanisms including levers, pulleys and gears allow a smalle force to have a greater effect. |
| | forces | To know that rougher surfaces have more friction between them than smoother surfaces. | To know that rougher surfaces have more friction between them than smoother surfaces and how that may affect movement. |
| | Factors affecting forces | To understand that the strength of different magnets may vary. | To know that the larger the surface area of an object the greater the air or water resistance it creates. |

Progression of skills

Working scientifically

| | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
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| Posing questions | Exploring the world around ther simple questions. Recognising there are different answer a question). Responding to suggestions of h | types of <u>enquiry</u> (ways to | Beginning to raise further questions during the enquiry process. Considering what makes a testable question. Beginning to recognise that there are different types of enquiry and that they are suitable for different questions. Beginning to make suggestions about how different questions could be answered. | | Raising questions throughout the enquiry process. Identifying testable questions. Selecting the most appropriate enquiry method to answer questions and give justification. | |
| Planning | Beginning to recognise whether With support, deciding if sugges suitable. Ordering a simple method. | | guestions could be answered. Beginning to select from options which variables will be changed, measured and controlled. Suggesting what observations to make and how long to make them for. Planning a simple method, verbally and in writing. Beginning to write a simple method in numbered steps. Selecting and beginning to decide what simple equipment | | Suggesting which variables will controlled. Making and explaining decisio make and how long to make Writing a method including decontrol variables are kept the Writing a method that considerepeated readings. Suggesting the most appropriobservations and measurements | ns about what observations to them for. stail about how to ensure same ers reliability by planning iate equipment to make |
| Predicting | Suggesting what might happen, personal experience. | often justifying with | Beginning to conside making predictions, Predicting a trend by variable will affect the | rledge and/or personal their prediction (because) | Using scientific lang outcome or explain v happen. | tific knowledge and evidence |

Working scientifically

| | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
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| Observing (qualitative data) | Using their senses to describe, in simple terms, what they notice or what has changed. | | Using their senses to describe, in more detail and with simple scientific vocabulary, what they notice or what has changed. | | Using their senses to describe, in detail and with a broade range of scientific vocabulary, what they notice or what has changed. | |
| Measuring (quantitative data) | Using non-standard units to measure and compare. Beginning to use standard units to measure and compare. Beginning to use simple measuring equipment to make approximate measurements. Reading simple numbered scales. | | Using standard units to measure and compare. Using measuring equipment with increasing accuracy. Reading scales with unmarked intervals between numbers. | | Using standard units to measure and compare with increasing precision (decimals). Reading a wider variety of scales with unmarked intervals between numbers. | |
| Researching | Gathering specific information from one simplified, specified source. | | Gathering specific information from a variety of sources. | | Gathering answers to open-ended questions from a variety of sources. | |
| Recording (diagrams) | Drawing and labelling simple diagrams. | | Using some standard symbols. Drawing in 2D to produce simple line diagrams. Labelling with more scientific vocabulary. | | Using a wider range of standard symbols. Drawing with increasing accuracy. Labelling with a broader range of scientific vocabulary. Annotating diagrams to explain concepts and convey opinions. | |
| Recording (tables) | Using a prepared table to record results including: Numbers. Simple observations. Tally frequency. | | Using a prepared table to record results including more detailed observations. Using tables with more than two columns. Identifying and adding headings to tables. Beginning to design simple results tables. | | Using tables with columns that allow for repeat readings. Suggesting headings to tables, including units. Designing results tables with increasing independence with consideration of variables where applicable. Calculating the mean average. | |
| Grouping and | Grouping based on visible characteristics. Organising questions to create a simple classification key. | | Grouping based on visible characteristics and measurable properties. Populating a pre-prepared branching and number key. Choosing appropriate questions for classification keys. | | Grouping in a broader range of Organising the layout of number | |
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Progression of skills

Working scientifically

| | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
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| Graphing | Representing data using pictograms and block charts. | | Representing data using bar cha Drawing bars with greater accur Reading the value of bars with g | acy. | Representing data by using line graphs and scatter graphs Plotting points with greater accuracy. Reading the value of plotted points with greater accuracy | |
| Analysing and drawing conclusions. | Using their results to answer simple questions. Beginning to recognise when results or observations do not match their predictions. | | Writing a conclusion to summaris scientific vocabulary. Beginning to suggest how one vianother. Beginning to quote results as experienced in the summaris of | riable may have affected ridence of relationships. a pattern (anomalous data). ervations do not match their | Writing a conclusion to summarise findings using increasingly complex scientific vocabulary. Suggesting with increasing independence how one variable may have affected another. Quoting relevant data as evidence of relationships. Identifying anomalies in repeat data and excluding results where appropriate. Comparing individual, class and/or model data to the prediction and recognising when they do not match. Using identified patterns to predict new values or trends. | |
| Evaluating | Beginning to recognise whether a test is fair or not. | | Beginning to identify steps in the method that need changing and suggest improvements. Beginning to identify which variables were difficult to control and suggesting how to better control them. Commenting on the degree of trust by reflecting on: Results that do not fit a pattern (anomalies). The quality of results (accurate measurements and maintaining control variables). Beginning to identify new questions that would further the enquiry. | | Identifying steps in the method that need changing and suggesting improvements. Identifying which variables were difficult to control and suggesting how to better control them. Commenting on the degree of trust by also reflecting on: Accuracy (human error with equipment). Reliability (repeating results). Sources of information (e.g. websites, books). Posing new questions in response to the data, that would extend the enquiry. Deciding what data to collect to further test direct relationships. | |

Science in Action

| Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
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| o know about famous scientis | ts throughout history. | | | 4 | |
| To know about a range of jobs a knowledge and methods. | and careers that use scientific | | | | |
| o know about the work of mod | dern day scientists. | | | | |
| o know about science in the n | ews and recent discoveries. | | | | |
| Fo explore spiritual, moral, soci Science. | ial and cultural links with | | | | |
| | | The know about the methods and e throughout history and how these had not understand how scientific knowleading to the current understanding. To know about current scientific resin the future. To understand that mistakes can lead | edge has changed over time, ng of Science. eearch and what it aims to achieve | | |
| | | To know that collaboration and pee scientific progress. | r reviewing is essential for effective | | |
| | | | | To understand how scientific evidence ideas or arguments. | e is used to support or refute |
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