Science Long Term Plan 2026-2027

	Autumn		Spring		Summer	
Nursery	Seasonal Change and Weather					
	Forces	Light and electricity	Materials and Changes	Plants and Animals		Health and Senses
Reception	Seasonal Change and Weather					
	Forces	Light and electricity	Materials and Changes	Plants and Animals		Health and Senses
Year 1	Seasonal Change and Weather (6 weeks across the year)					
	Everyday materials		Animals including humans		Plants	
Year 2	Uses of everyday materials		Living things and their habitats		Plants	Animals including humans
Year 3	Forces and magnets	Light	Rocks (Spring 1 team teaching)		Plants	Animals including humans
Year 4	States of matter	Sound	Electricity	Animals including humans	Living things and their habitats	
Year 5	Forces	Earth and Space	Properties and changes of materials		Living things and habitats	Animals including humans
Year 6	Light and Dark	Electricity	Living things and their habitats	Evolution and inheritance	Animals including humans	

EYFS curriculum - Nursery and Reception follow the same cycle of units through the year. This cycle has primarily been planned to coincide with seasonal phenomena and changes e.g. short winter days in Autumn 2 lend themselves to exploring light and light sources, harvesting in Summer 2 etc. We lead the lessons based on the children's interests where possible, but have planned for progression between the year groups via the provocations that the children are exposed to in their settings and the investigations the children experience through continuous provision.