

Science Core Curriculum Year 6

Primary School						
Unit	Animals including humans Blood & Transportation The heart and health	Living things and their habitats	Evolution & inheritance	Light	Electricity	Looking after the environment
Substantive Knowledge	 Identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood Recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function Describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans 	 Describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including microorganisms, plants and animals Give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics 	 Recognise that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago Recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind, but normally offspring vary and are not identical to their parents Identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and that adaptation may lead to evolution 	 Recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye Explain that we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to objects and then to our eyes Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them 	loudness of buzzers and the on/off position of switches • Use recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit in a	Learn about climate change Explore ways to reduce how much rubbish is sent to landfill. Explore ways to reduce energy consumption Explore what happens when fuels are burnt Explore the outcomes of COP26 Compare data associated with the weather

Disciplinary knowledge

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- Grouping and classifying.

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Key Vocab						Looking after the
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	humans:	habitats:	inheritance:			
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	circulatory system	classify	adaptation	eye	circuit	weather climate prevent global warming climate change
	atrium	spore	desert	light source	circuit diagram	
	ventricle	micro-organism	cactus	symbol	battery	
	vessel	seed	insulating	scientific diagram	wires	
	valves	similarities	environment	reflected	electricity	
	artery	multicellular	fossil	prediction	current	recycle
	vein	unicellular	fossilisation	fair test	voltage	landfill
	capillary	kingdom	evidence	variable	voltmeter	rubbish
	microscope	cell	dinosaur	table	brightness	biodegrade council
	blood	MRS GREN	petrified	periscope	blown	Council
	plasma	Latin	genetically	angle	resistor	net zero
	platelet	genus	modified crop	mirror	variable	renewable
	white blood cell	Carl Linnaeus	toxin	line of sight	resistor	non-renewable
	red blood cell	class	resilience	utilise	LED	greenhouse gase emissions
	absorb	species	breeding	shadow	dimmer switch	emissions
	diffusion	vertebrate	yield	block	output	industrial revoluti
	osmosis	cold-blooded	generation	opaque	variable	fossil fuel
	concentration	amphibian	species	transparent	fair test	coal
	nutrients	reptile	evolution	translucent	control test	combustion fuel
	diet	mammal	offspring	plan	systematically	
	exercise	carbon dioxide	DNA	sun shade	synchronised	COP
	heart rate	microorganism	Charles Darwin	real life problem	traffic light	sustainability
	BPM	plant	habitat	rotate	signal	conference
	Pulse	oxygen	ancestor	direction	sensor	pledge
	drug	microscopic	Natural Selection	optical	timer-based	subsidy
	painkiller	mycelium	extinct	phenomena	closed electric circuit	species
	stimulant	fungi	Mary Anning	disperse	indicating	sensitive
	depressant	mushrooms	specimen	spectrum	conductor	natural disaster
	hallucinogens	yeasts	prehistoric	refraction	insulator	habitat
		hyphae	Jurassic		resistor	vulnerable
			Coast			
			palaeontologist			