Year 5 & 6 Science Assessment Cycle 2

KS2 Working Scientifically E	D	S	М	KS2 Scientific Knowledge	E D	S	M
Plan different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including				Autumn			
recognising and controlling variables where necessary.				Recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines.			
Takes measurements, using a range of scientific equipment, with increasing				Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain that objects are seen because they give out or re-			
accuracy and precision, taking repeat readings when appropriate.				flect light into the eye.			
Records data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and				Explain that we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to ob-			
labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs.				jects and then to our eyes.			
Uses test results to make predictions to set up further comparative and fair				Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects			
tests.				that cast them.			
				Spring			
Reports and presents findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal				Can explain the effects of levers, pulleys and simple machines on movement.			
relationships and explanations of and degree of trust in results, in oral and				Recognise that some mechanisms including levers, pulleys and gears allow a smaller force to have a			
written forms such as displays and other presentations.				greater effect.			
				Explain the effects of friction on movement and find out how it slows or stops moving objects, for exam-			
Identifies scientific evidence that has been used to support or refute ideas or				ple, by observing the effects of a brake on a bicycle wheel.			
arguments.				Describe the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird.			
Uses appropriate scientific vocabulary in their explanations.				Describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics			
				and based on similarities and differences, including micro-organisms, plants and animals			
				Give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics.			
				Recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way human bodies function.			
				Summer			
				Associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in			
				the circuit.			
				Compare and give reasons for variations in how components function, including the brightness of bulbs,			
				the loudness of buzzers and the on/off position of switches.			
				Use recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram.			
				Understand different types of circuits and real life uses e.g. parallel, series, alarms (sensors and switches).			
				Describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals.			
				Describe the changes as humans develop to old age.			
				Can explain the changes experienced in puberty.			
				Describe the life process of reproduction of some animals (compare their gestation and life process to			
				humans)			