ACET Junior Academies

National Curriculum 2014: Progression in Scientific Skills



	Key Stage 1	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
2014 National Curriculum subject content for Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2	Experience and observe phenomena, looking more closely at the natural and humanly-constructed world around them They should be curious and ask questions about what they notice Use different types of scientific enquiry to answer their own questions	 To enable students to broaden their scientific view of the world around them Exploring, talking about, testing and developing ideas about everyday phenomena and the relationships between living things and familiar environments Beginning to develop their ideas about functions, relationships and interactions. Ask their own questions Make some decisions about which types of scientific enquiry are likely to be the best ways of answering them, including o observing changes o noticing patterns o grouping and classifying things o carrying out simple comparative and fair tests o finding out from secondary information Draw simple conclusions 	 The principal focus is to enable students to develop a deeper understanding of a wide range of scientific ideas. Exploring and talking about their ideas, asking their own questions about scientific phenomena, and analysing functions, relationships and interactions more systematically. They should encounter more abstract ideas, and begin to recognise how these ideas help them to understand and predict how the world operates. They should begin to recognise that scientific ideas change and develop over time. Select the most appropriate ways to answer science questions using different types of scientific enquiry, including o observing changes over different periods of time o noticing patterns

	 Most of the learning about science should be done through practical first-hand experiences There should be some use of appropriate secondary sources, such as books, photographs, videos. 	Use some scientific language, first, to talk about and, later, to write about what they have found out.	o grouping and classifying things o carrying out simple comparative tests o finding out from secondary information • Draw conclusions based on their data and observations • Use evidence to justify their ideas
			Use their scientific knowledge and understanding to explain their findings.
	Asking simple questions and recognising that they can be answered in different ways.	 Asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them. Setting up simple practical enquiries, 	Planning different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary.
	Observing closely, using simple equipment.	comparative and fair tests.	Taking measurements, using a range of scientific equipment, with increasing accuracy and
	3. Performing simple tests.	3. Making systematic and careful observations	precision, taking repeat readings where
	4. Identifying and classifying.	and, where appropriate, taking accurate	appropriate.
	5. Using their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions.	measurements using standard units using a range of equipment , including thermometers and data loggers.	Recording data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels,
Working	Gathering and recording data to help in answering questions.	Gathering, recording, classifying and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in	classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs.
Scientifically		answering questions.	4. Using test results to make predictions to set up further comparative and fair tests.
		5. Recording findings using simple scientific	
		language, drawings, labelled diagrams, keys, bar charts, and tables.	5. Reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and degree of trust in results, in oral
		6. Reporting on findings from enquiries, including oral and written explanations, displays, or	and written forms such as displays and other presentations.
		presentations of results and conclusions.	6. Identifying scientific evidence that has been
		7. Using results to draw simple conclusions , make	used to support or refute ideas or arguments
		predictions for new values, suggest	
		improvements and raise further questions.	
		8. Identifying differences, similarities or changes	
		related to simple scientific ideas and processes.	

			9. Using straightforward scien answer questions or to suppor			
Maths in Science	Measurement Compare, describe and solve practical problems and measure and begin to record: Lengths & heights Mass/weight Capacity & volume Time	Measurement Choose and use appropriate standard units to estimate and measure: Length/height (m/cm) Mass (kg/g) Temperature (°C) Capacity (litres/ml) to the nearest appropriate unit, using rulers, scales, thermometers and measuring vessels.	Measurement Measure, compare, add and subtract: Lengths (m/cm/mm) Mass (kg/g) Volume/capacity (I/mI) Know the number of seconds in a minute and the number of days in each month, year and leap year. Statistics Interpret and present data using bar charts, pictograms and tables. Guidance - Pupils 'understand and use simple scales' - I still think this	Measurement Convert between different units of measure (e.g. km to m, hour to minute). Interpret and present discrete and continuous data using appropriate graphical methods, including bar charts and time graphs. Solve comparison, sum and difference problems using information	Multiplication and division Recognise and use square numbers and cube numbers, and the notation for squared (²) and cubed (³) Measurement Convert between units of metric measure (km-m, cm-mm, g-kg, l-ml) Understand and use approximate equivalences between metric units and common imperial units such as inches, pounds and pints. Estimate volume and capacity	Measurement Solve problems involving the calculation and conversion of units of measure, using decimal notation up to three decimal places where appropriate. Use, read, write and convert between standard units, converting measurements of length, mass, volume and time using decimal notation up to three decimal places

		Statistics Interpret and construct simple pictograms, tally charts, block diagrams and simple tables.	implies that they can be given scales.	presented in bar charts, pictograms, tables and other graphs.	Solve problems involving converting between units of time Statistics Solve comparison, sum and difference problems using information presented in a line graph. Complete, read and interpret information in tables, including timetables.	Convert between miles and kilometres Statistics Interpret and construct pie charts and line graphs and use these to solve problems. Calculate and interpret the mean as an average.
English in Science	Spellings that relate to scientific concepts:		Spellings that relate to scienti Experiment Weight Prefixes (p60) relate closely to concepts		Spellings that relate to scient Stomach Temperature Equipment	ntific concepts: