



Year group: Year I

Area/topic: Seasonal change

(objectives from NC/ELG/Development matters)

Working scientifically:

- *Performing simple tests.
- *Using their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions.
- *Gathering and recording data to help in answering questions.

Seasonal changes:

- *Observe changes across the four seasons. (Year I, EI)
- *Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies. (Year I, E2)

Prior learning	Future learning
Understand the key features of the life cycle of a plant and an animal (Nursery	*Recognise that light from the sun can be dangerous and that there are ways to
- Plants & Animals, excluding humans)	protect their eyes (Y3 - Light)
*Explore the natural world around them. (Reception - Seasonal changes)	*Use the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night and the apparent
*Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside. (Reception - Seasonal	movement of the Sun across the sky. (Y5 - Earth and space)
changes)	*The seasons and the Earth's tilt, day length at different times of year, in
*Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them.	different hemispheres (KS3)
(Reception - Seasonal changes)	

Working scientifically & encouraging scientific enquiry

Observing over time

*Children to observe and record weather seen over a period of time through a weather journal.

Comparative and fair testing

*Children to make their own equipment to observe and measure weather. For example, a way of measuring rainfall or using an anemometer to measure wind. Children to discuss and compare results from different times of day or day to day.

Pattern seeking

*Children will keep a weather journal and be encouraged to discuss any patterns they may notice.

Research using secondary resources

- *Children to see and discuss images and photographs of different types of weather during the different seasons.
- *Observing seasonal change through Explorify.

What pupils need to know or do to be secure		
Key knowledge and skills		Possible evidence
*I can name and correctly order the four seasons. (EI) *I can talk about and explain the weather I would expect to see during each season. (EQ) *I can use suitable vocabulary to describe the weather including rain, sun, cloud, rainbow, snow, wind, storm, lightning, thunder, hot and cold. (EQ) *I understand and can explain how plants and trees change during each of the seasons. (EI) *I can explain how the changes in sunlight and temperature throughout seasons causes the leaves on some trees to change colour. (EQ) *I can explain how to stay safe in the sunshine; explaining how to protect my skin and eyes as well as why this is important. (EQ) *I can observe and talk about how the evenings and mornings get darker during. Autumn. (EQ) *I understand that clocks change during the year and that sun rise becomes later whilst sun set becomes earlier in the winter time but daylight hours are longer during. Spring. (EQ) *I can conduct a weather experiment and record data to then identify and discuss any patterns. (EQ, AQ, AQ, &Q, AQ, AQ, AQ, AQ, AQ, AQ, AQ, AQ, AQ, A		There will be evidence of children meeting the 'I can' statements through: *Quotes taken from discussions. *Children can correctly use the key vocabulary during lessons. *Adults scribing to evidence children's understanding. *Children recording through drawing. *Photographs of children's learning. *Children recording data at an age appropriate level. *Children discussing patterns they notice within data.
Common misconceptions	Books linking to this area	
*Children may think that it always snows in winder and it is always sunny in summer: *Children may think flowers are only around in spring and summer: *Children may think it only rains in winter or that it rains most in winter.	*My friend earth by Patricia MacLachlan *My shadow by Robert Louis Stevenson *Little acorn (Nature stories) *Little raindrop (Nature stories) *Walk in the woods by Hannah Tolson *The Story Orchestra: Four Seasons in One Day (Sound Book) by J Courtney-Tickle *One year with Kipper by Mick Inkpen *Tree: Seasons Come, Seasons Go by Patricia Hegarty and Britta Teckentrup *It starts with a seed by Laura Knowles and Jennie Webber	

Memorable first hand experiences	Opportunities for communication
*Weather experiments, creating their own equipment to measure rainfall or wind speed.	*Children to be given opportunities for communication with partners, groups and whole class to discuss as completing practical activities and also to share findings: *Children to be provided with lots of opportunities to be outside observing weather and how nature is changing. Children to be encouraged to discuss and describe what they see: *Through the use of Explorify.

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Reasonable adjustments for pupils with SEND

Communication and Interaction

*Visual aids, pictures of equipment with words labelled, word mats with pictures for key words in that lesson.

*Freedom to explore scientific equipment and investigate in own way.

*Hands on experiences to encourage communication and interaction with others.

*Pre teaching any new vocabulary.

Cognition and Learning

*Opportunity for lots of hands on exploration and verbally sharing thoughts and ideas:

*Freedom to explore scientific equipment and processes.

*Pre teaching new vocabulary or concepts.

*Activities adapted if needed for safety and ease.

*Visual aids, pictures of equipment, mats with key words and pictures
*Learning recorded through photos and adult quotes, children not expected to write
for recording their understanding.

*Using working walls to aid learning and remind of previous learning.

Social, Emotional and Mental health

- *Awareness of individual needs, any potential triggers within the curriculum and the child's background.
- *Pre prepare children for any activity they could find triggering or difficult in some way.
- *Practical activities or experiments to be completed within a smaller group or 1:1 if needed.
- *If the class are sharing their learning within a large group, take the child in a smaller focus group if they struggle with social situations.

 *Adjustments made where needed to suit individual.

Sensory and Physical

- *Adult support with any practical activities.
- *Awareness of the individual's likes or dislikes and their own reactions to sensory activities.
- *If a child enjoys sensory activities, then plan for this wherever possible within the lesson!