What does Science coverage look like in EYFS?



Science

We are scientists through...

Communication and Language

3 / 4 Year olds:

- Understand 'why' questions, like: "Why do you think the caterpillar got so fat?"

Reception:

- Learn new vocabulary.
- Ask questions to find out more and to check what has been said to them.
- Articulate their ideas and thoughts in wellformed sentences.
- Describe events in some detail.
- Use talk to work out problems and organise thinking and activities. Explain how things work and why they might happen.
- Use new vocabulary in different contexts.

ELG: C&L: Listening, attention and Understanding:

 Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding.

Physical Development

3 / 4 Year olds:

 Make healthy choices about food, drink, activity and toothbrushing.

Reception:

 Know and talk about the different factors that support their overall health and wellbeing: regular physical activity, healthy eating, toothbrushing, sensible amounts of 'screen time', having a good sleep routine, being a safe pedestrian.

Understanding the World

3 / 4 year olds: -

- Use all their senses in hands-on exploration of natural materials.
- Explore collections of materials with similar and/or different properties.
- Talk about what they see, using a wide vocabulary.
- Begin to make sense of their own life-story and family's history.
- Explore how things work. Plant seeds and care for growing plants.
- Understand the key features of the life cycle of a plant and an animal.
- Begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things.
- Explore and talk about different forces they can feel.
- Talk about the differences between materials and changes they notice.

Reception

- Explore the natural world around them.
- Describe what they see, hear and feel while

Personal, social and emotional development

ELG: PSED - Managing self:

Manage their own basic hygiene and personal needs, including dressing, going to the toilet and understanding the importance of healthy food choices.

 Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants. Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class. Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them,
