

Science – Understanding the World (Reception)



Key Vocabulary

Key vocabulary used within 'Understanding the World'

Seasons	Spring
Summer	Autumn
Winter	Changes
Melt	Freeze
Hot	Cold
Exercise	Balanced diet

Hibernate	When animals have long periods of deep sleep during winter.
Migrate	Animals that move to a different environment with the change of the weather and the seasons.
Evergreen	Plants that never lose their leaves - they "stay green" all year long.
Deciduous	Trees that shed their leaves once a year, usually during the season of Autumn.



Key Learning and investigation

Children will explore the natural world around them as well comparing contrasting environments, considering similarities and differences. They will make observations and learn the names of a variety of animals and plants.

Children will begin to learn some processes and changes in the world around them including changing seasons and changing states of matter (melting and freezing.)

Children will learn the importance of healthy eating and tooth brushing.



Where will my learning go next?

In Year 1 I will learn the names of some parts of the human body and how these link to my senses.

I will carefully observe the changes throughout the seasons.

I will learn the names for parts of a plant.