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Year Group	3	Term	Autumn	Subject	Science	Topic	Scientific Enquiry
						Key Question	How can we conduct a scientific investigation?
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## Key Facts/Sticky Knowledge

- ' A hypothesis is the same as a prediction
- Data can be collected and presented in a graph
- Following a scientific method produces accurate results
- A scientific conclusion explains what you found out in your experiment
- A variable is something that can be changed in an experiment
- Questioning can help us improve our experiments

## Our Curriculum Journey

Throughout the unit, children will be learning to conduct investigations and will pose their own scientific questions and carry out practical experiments to find answers

They will start by discussing what scientific enquiry means. Our first experiment about solar ovens will focus on making predictions which are otherwise known as hypotheses. The next lesson will focus on recording and

	presenting the results as data in a graph. The next lesson will look at a 'dirty coin' experiment looking at the reason for following a method. The next lesson will look at drawing a conclusion from the experiment. Our final two lessons will be looking at a 'cake baking' experiment. We will discuss what a variable is and how changing variables can affect the results. Finally we will look at the role of questioning in scientific experiments.				
Key	Investigation	Key	Solar		
Vocabulary	Prediction	Vocabulary	Renewable energy		
(revisited)	Record	(new)	Acid		
	Results		Alkali		
	Graph		PH scale		
	Data		Hypothesis		
	Prediction		Enquiry		
	Method		Evidence		
	Compare		Conclusion		
	Fair test		Variable		
	Measurement		Control experiment		
			Diagram		

Lesson	Content	Sticky Knowledge
Lesson 1	Rocket words	A hypothesis is a
		scientific prediction.

KQ1: What is a hypothesis?	<ul> <li>Explain what solar means and relate to renewable energy</li> <li>They will be investigating how you can make a solar oven to try and cook using renewable energy</li> <li>Talk through rocket words</li> <li>Pose a question about our experiment thinking about 'scientific questioning'. Questions need to be plausible</li> <li>Children start to write out a their scientific report</li> </ul> Activity: Children build their solar ovens	
	Resources: Cardboard box with lid, black card, foil, thermometer, sticky tape, straws (cling film, fabrics, paper, black bin bag, chocolate/marshmallows) Handout for investigation write up.	
Lesson 2	Assessment quiz from last lesson	Data can be collected
KQ2: How can we present results?	<ul> <li>Rocket words</li> <li>We will discuss how to record our results</li> <li>We will discuss 'fair tests' and why we need to record results at the same time for our different ovens so we can compare results</li> <li>We will then (across the afternoon) collect results to form data</li> <li>We will present this in a graph or table</li> </ul>	and presented in a graph
	Activity: Write a prediction, conduct experiment, write out results  Resources: Ovens ready from last lesson. Investigation sheet ready for the results	
Lesson 3		Following a scientific
KQ3: How do we plan an experiment?	<ul> <li>Assessment quiz from last lesson</li> <li>Rocket words</li> <li>Discuss which substance would be best to clean a dirty coin</li> </ul>	method produces accurate results

Lesson 4 KQ4: How do we explain our results from an experiment?	<ul> <li>Talk about what acidity means and how you can test this using a PH test.</li> <li>Recap scientific method (observations- question- hypothesis-experiment- analysis-conclusion)</li> <li>Talk about how writing a method is very important</li> <li>Explain why we would need the same amount of each substance to be a fair test. We also need to submerge the coin for the same amount of time.</li> <li>Activity: write a prediction and a method including equipment.</li> <li>Resources: Gloves, PH testing kit (litmus paper and test indicator), small trays, measuring cylinders, dirty coins and a range of substances to test (vinegar, oil, ketchup, citric fruit juice, fizzy drinks, toothpaste, soap and water). Sheet from D Experts</li> <li>Assessment from last lesson</li> <li>Rocket words</li> <li>Explaining what a conclusion is</li> <li>Ensure we use scientific language to provide a scientific explanation</li> <li>Compare with your prediction</li> <li>Activity: Writing a conclusion</li> <li>Resources: Investigation sheet</li> </ul>	A scientific conclusion explains what you found out in your experiment
Lesson 5	Assessment from last lesson	A variable is
KQ5: What is a control test?	Rocket words	something that can
	Explain we will be baking today	be changed in an experiment
	Changing part of a recipe can affect the reaction during cooking	CAPCI IIIICIII

	<ul> <li>We will be changing parts of our recipe/method to see the different reactions during cooking - this will affect the product produced</li> <li>We need a control test and then we will change variables and compare to our control test</li> <li>We might change         <ul> <li>butter-margarine</li> <li>sugar - sweetener</li> <li>No flour</li> <li>No sugar</li> <li>Baking powder</li> <li>Temperature</li> <li>Time in the oven</li> </ul> </li> <li>You must only change 1 variable each time</li> <li>Activity: Children use investigation sheet to write question, hypotheses, equipment, method, variables and why it will be a fair test</li> </ul>	
Lesson 6  What questions can I ask after I have conducted my experiment?	Resources: Butter, caster sugar, flour, eggs, vanilla extract, milk, mixing bowl, whisk, wooden spoon, weighing scales, measuring hug, an oven, 20cm baking tin, baking powder, investigation sheet,  • Assessment from last lesson  • Rocket words  • Recap our question and prediction  • Recap our method and equipment  • Collect results  • Make a conclusion  • Can we pose a new question?	Questioning can help us improve our experiments

Activity: Make the cakes and investigation sheet	
Resources: Butter, caster sugar, flour, eggs, vanilla extract, milk, mixing bowl, whisk, wooden spoon, weighing scales, measuring hug, an oven, 20cm baking tin, baking powder, investigation sheet	