

Threshold Concept	Milestone 1
<p><b>Work scientifically</b> This concept involves learning the methodologies of the discipline of science.</p>	<p><u>Ask questions and plan an enquiry</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ask simple questions.</li></ul> <p><u>Set up an enquiry</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Perform simple tests.</li></ul> <p><u>Observe and measure</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Observe closely, using simple equipment.</li></ul> <p><u>Record</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Gather and record data to help in answering questions.</li></ul> <p><u>Interpret and Report</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Use observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions.</li><li>• Identify and classify.</li></ul>



Threshold Concept		Milestone 1
<p><u>Biology</u></p>	 <p><b>Understand plants</b> This concept involves becoming familiar with different types of plants, their structure and reproduction.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify and name a variety of common plants, including garden plants, wild plants and trees and those classified as deciduous and evergreen.</li> <li>• Identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers.</li> <li>• Observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants.</li> <li>• Find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.</li> </ul>
	 <p><b>Understand animals and humans</b> This concept involves becoming familiar with different types of animals, humans and the life processes they share.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify and name a variety of common animals that are birds, fish, amphibians, reptiles, mammals and invertebrates.</li> <li>• Identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.</li> <li>• Describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (birds, fish, amphibians, reptiles, mammals and invertebrates, including pets).</li> <li>• Identify name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense.</li> <li>• Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults.</li> <li>• Investigate and describe the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air).</li> <li>• Describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food and hygiene.</li> </ul>



### **Investigate living things**

This concept involves becoming familiar with a wider range of living things, including insects and understanding life processes.

- Explore and compare the differences between things that are living, that are dead and that have never been alive.
- Identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants and how they depend on each other.
- Identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including micro-habitats.
- Describe how animals obtain their food from plants and other animals, using the idea of a simple food chain, and identify and name different sources of food.



### **Understand evolution and inheritance**

This concept involves understanding that organisms come into existence, adapt, change and evolve and become extinct.

- *Identify how humans resemble their parents in many features.*

Threshold Concept		Milestone 1
Chemistry	 <p><b>Investigate materials</b> This concept involves becoming familiar with a range of materials, their properties, uses and how they may be altered or changed.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made.</li> <li>• Identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water and rock.</li> <li>• Describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials.</li> <li>• Compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties.</li> <li>• Find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.</li> <li>• Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick/rock, and paper/cardboard for particular uses.</li> </ul>
Physics	 <p><b>Understand movement, forces and magnets</b> This concept involves understanding what causes motion.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Notice and describe how things move, using simple comparisons such as faster and slower.</i></li> <li>• <i>Compare how different things move.</i></li> </ul>
	 <p><b>Understand light and seeing</b> This concept involves understanding how light and reflection affect sight.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Observe and name a variety of sources of light, including electric lights, flames and the Sun.</i></li> </ul>



**Investigate sound and hearing**

This concept involves understanding how sound is produced, how it travels and how it is heard.

- *Observe and name a variety of sources of sound, noticing that we hear with our ears.*



**Understand electrical circuits**

This concept involves understanding circuits and their role in electrical applications.

- *Identify common appliances that run on electricity.*



**Understand the Earth's movement in space**

This concept involves understanding what causes seasonal changes, day and night.

- *Observe changes across the four seasons.*
- *Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons and how day length varies.*