

Summer 1 OVERVIEW YEAR 3/4 – Science

| | Summer 1 Book - The Iron Man - Tecl | nnology in Action |
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| Topic - Light | | |
| Assessment: | Twinkl End of Unit Light Assessment. Teacher assessment through AfL strategies. Weekly VIP quizzes. Peer and self-assessments. | Very Important Points (VIPs): Light is a form of energy that travels in a wave from a source. We need light to be able to see things. Light travels ina straight line. |
| Links to prior learning (sequencing) and canon book | The Iron Man In terms of prior learning, year 3/4 is the first time children will learn about the topic of light. However, children will build upon the skills and knowledge from key KS1's national curriculum statements based around working scientifically. Children will have prior knowledge of working scientifically skills of asking questions, grouping and classifying and using investigative techniques. In addition to above, children will have already learnt about opaque, translucent and transparent materials in KS1 which will be covered through this topic of 'Light'. | A light source is an object that makes its own light. Dark is the absence of light. Reflection is the process where light hits the surface of an object and bounces back into our eyes. Reflective is a word that describes something which reflects light well. E.g. hi vis jacket, cats eyes. The best surfaces that reflect light best are smooth, shiny and flat. Some surfaces and materials do not reflect light well. E.g. a rough surface |
| Links to other learning (cross fertilisation) | In Computing, children will be using their knowledge of light beams and the importance of reduced screen time to protect our eyes. In DT, children will be creating an Iron Man and will use their knowledge of light when picking appropriate materials. In PSHE, children will be understanding about roles and responsibilites which will be linked to sun safety and how we protect our eyes from harsh light. In Art, children will create a sculpture out of clay and use their light knowledge to discuss shadows it creates when using different light sources. Thematic Questions The World Beyond Us How is light viewed in space? What is the importance of light in space? Modern Britain How have different light sources developed over the years? | Waves of light are called light rays which can also be called beams. The pupil is the black part of the eye which lets light in. The retina is a layer at the very back of the eye where it takes the light that the eye receives. It then changes it into nerve signals to send to the brain. If too much light enters, then it can damage the reina. To help protect the eyes, you can wear a hat with a wide brim and sunglasses with a UV rating. A shadow is an area of darkness where light has been blocked. A shadow is larger when an object is closer to the light source because it blocks more of the light. Opaque describes objects that do not let any light pass through them. Translucent describes objects that let some light through, but scatter the light so we can't see through them properly. |



| | Do you think light pollution is an issue we need to be concerned | - Transparent describes objects that let light travel through them |
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| | about? | easily, meaning that you can see through the object. |
| | Healthy Bodies & Healthy Minds | |
| | How does light have a positive impact on our mental and physical | |
| | health? | pupil |
| | How can light have a negative impact on our mental and physical health? | pupin Add |
| | The World Around Us | cornea The light is reflected |
| | How do different countries source light? | from the object |
| | Culture | lens |
| | How do some cultures use light within their religion? | |
| | Technology in Action | retina ' Light from the torch hits the object. |
| | Is there any need for sun light when we have so many different light sources readily available to us? | |
| | This unit will support the children's learning when moving onto UKS2 | |
| Linke to future learning | science units, in particular: | |
| Links to future learning | Year 5: Earth and space | |
| | Year 6: Light | |
| | The National Science and Media Museum, Bradford - Children | How a shadow is formed |
| Character/Wider | could explore the wonder of creating and capturing light through | object screen |
| Development ('50 | hands-on activities, workshops, shows and amazing art installations. Eureka! The National Children's Museum, Halifax - Children | light |
| things', cultural capital, | could explore light through hands-on activities and workshops at the | |
| skills) | museum. There is also virtual workshops available for children to do | |
| · | at home or in the classroom. | shadow |
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| | Children could use the '50 things to do before leaving primary school' to break a world record using light or when going to a whole | ↓ light |
| | class cinema trip explain how light allows us to watch a movie. | |
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| | | Fat Question: |
| | | How would the world be different if we had no natural |
| | | light? |
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OVERVIEW OF TEACHING SEQUENCE

| Key Facts/Learning | Learning Focus or Key Question | Learning Outcomes (NC) | Key Words/ Vocabulary | Greater Depth/SEND | Misconceptions | Activities and Resources |
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| Week 1 Children will understand that: - We need light to enable us to see. - Darkness is the absence of light. | To recognise the importance of light. | Recognise that they need light in order to see things and that dark is the absence of light. Asking relevant questions and using different types of scientific enquiries to answer them. | Light Light source Dark Reflection Reflect Ray Mirror Material Surfaces Eyes Protection Pupil Retina Shadow Opaque Translucent Transparent | GD Year 3 – Allow children to work independently to complete the task without any prompts or support. Children should start to think of their own sentences to showcase their understanding. Year 4 – Allow children to work independently to show their learning of light and dark. Encourage them to use pictures and diagrams and how light and dark effects real life. SEND Year 3 – Children will spend more time on the feely activity. Take pictures of children working and allow them to verbally say what | Children may think that: Light doesn't travel in straight lines. Windows are a light source. The moon is a light source. Light only comes from the sun and lights in our house. Darkness only happens when the lights are out/at night time. | Children will begin the lesson by using their prior knowledge to show what they already know about lightness and darkness through a variety of kagan activities. After talking through the knowledge part of the notebook slides, children will work in groups to complete the first task. This is to feel what is in the bag without looking/being blindfolded. They will draw/describe what they think the object is. After completing this the children will complete the same activity but with their eyes open and understand that it is because the light is allowing us to see the objects. Finally, they will complete an appropriate task to show their understanding of lightness and darkness. See planning slides on trust shared. Resources: - Bags. - Objects to put in bags for children to feel. Other useful resources: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zbssgk7 https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zb3s34j https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zb3s34j |



| | | | | Year 4 – Children will complete the paragraph to show their understanding of light and dark by using the key words provided. | | Year 3 Tasks Red - Children will complete the paragraph to show their understanding of light and dark by using the key words provided. Blue - Children will complete the paragraph to show their understanding of light and dark by filling in the gaps for key words from their learning (without key words.) Gold - Children will complete the paragraph to show their understanding of light and dark by filling in the gaps of phrases/sentences from their learning (without prompts). Year 4 Tasks Red - Children will complete the paragraph to show their understanding of light and dark by filling in the gaps for key words from their learning (without key words.) Blue - Children will complete the paragraph to show their understanding of light and dark by filling in the gaps for key words from their learning (without key words.) Blue - Children will complete the paragraph to show their understanding of light and dark by filling in the gaps of phrases/sentences from their learning (without prompts). Gold - Children will write a paragraph without support to show their understanding of light and dark. <u>Year 3 Deepen the moment</u> The sun, a lamp and a candle are all light sources. Which is the odd one out? Justify your answer. |
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| | | | | | | Year 4 Deepen the moment John thinks the moon is a light source because you can see it in the sky at night. Is he correct? Justify your answer. |
| | To identify | Notice that | Light | GD: | Children may | Children will begin the lesson by recapping their VIPs through a |
| Week 2 | materials that | light is | Light source | Year 3 – Children | think that: | variety of kagan activities. |
| | light reflects. | reflected from | Dark | will complete the | | |
| Children will | | surfaces. | Reflection | experiment as a | All materials are | After talking through the knowledge part of the notebook slides, |
| understand that: | | Setting up | Reflect Reflective | team by working out how you are going to | reflective. | children will be testing different materials to see how reflective they are. Children will write an investigation question and a prediction |
| The meet | | simple | Reflective | answer the | Only shiny items | based on their learning so far. They will complete the investigation |
| - The most reflective | | practical | Mirror | investigation | are reflective. | using the results table given to them. After this, they will have time |
| materials are | | enquiries, | Material | question. There may | | to reflect on their results and write a conclusion based on their |
| | | onquinee, | Surfaces | be a few red herring | | original predictions. |
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| smooth, shiny | comparative | Eyes | items within your | All brightly | |
| and flat. | and fair tests. | Protection | equipment that may | coloured items are | See planning slides on trust shared. |
| | | Pupil | not be needed for | reflective. | |
| | | Retina | this experiment. | | Resources: |
| | | Shadow | | | - Torch |
| | | Opaque | Year 4 – Children | | - 5 different materials |
| | | Translucent | will complete the | | - Card |
| | | Transparent | experiment as a | | |
| | | | team by working out | | Other useful resources: |
| | | | how you are going to | | https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/ztcg9j6 |
| | | | answer the | | |
| | | | investigation | | https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rDRTmymuNyE |
| | | | question. There may | | |
| | | | be a few red herring | | https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/ztcg9j6 |
| | | | items within your | | |
| | | | equipment that may | | Year 3 Tasks & Year 4 Tasks |
| | | | not be needed for | | Both year groups will complete the same task but differentiation |
| | | | this experiment. | | through year groups will be based on outcomes. Year 3 children will |
| | | | Children will also | | have more scaffolding and supporting materials, whereas year 4 |
| | | | have to create their | | children will be expected to work more independently. |
| | | | own means of | | |
| | | | recording their | | Red - Children will complete the experiment with adult support |
| | | | results. | | using the result table provided. |
| | | | | | Blue - Children will complete the experiment using the result table |
| | | | SEND: | | provided and the method modelled by an adult. |
| | | | Year 3 – Children | | Gold Children will complete the experiment as a team by working |
| | | | will work as a group | | out how you are going to answer the investigation question. There |
| | | | and have the adult | | may be a few red herring items within your equipment that may not |
| | | | record the results. | | be needed for this experiment. |
| | | | Allow the children to | | |
| | | | explore, talk and ask | | |
| | | | questions. Take | | Year 3 Deepen the moment |
| | | | pictures of children | | I think that a mirror is the best material for reflection because it is |
| | | | working and any | | smooth and flat. Do you agree? Draw a diagram to support your |
| | | | 'writing' to be | | answer. |
| | | | completed as a | | |
| | | | group. | | Year 4 Deepen the moment |
| | | | | | Always. Sometimes. Never. |
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| | | | | Year 4 – Children will complete the experiment with adult support using the result table provided. | | Every item is reflective because we can see all items. Prove it! |
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| Week 3 Children will understand that: - The most effective reflective materials is a mirror and explain why this is. | To use mirrors to reflect light. | Notice that light is reflected from surfaces. Gathering, recording, classifying and presenting data in a variety of ways to help in answering questions. | Light Light source Dark Reflection Reflect Ray Mirror Material Surfaces Eyes Protection Pupil Retina Shadow Opaque Translucent Transparent | GD: Year 3 – Children to complete the activities using the template provided ensuring they explain how the mirrors reflect light. Children should be encouraged to work independently when completing the written task. Year 4 – Allow children to work in ability pairs to complete the activities. Children will be expected to record their results in the most efficient way. Children should use diagrams and really focus on explaining how light is reflected from the mirror and into our eyes. SEND: | Children may think that: Mirrors are the only reflective material. If a material is dirty, it stops being reflective. Mirrors can still reflect without a light source. | Children will begin the lesson by recapping their VIPs through a variety of kagan activities. After talking through the knowledge part of the notebook slides, children will complete two mirror activities to allow them to investigate how light is reflected using mirrors. They will complete an appropriate task to show their understanding of lightness and darkness. See planning slides on trust shared. Resources: - Mirrors - Chalk - Space outside/in the hall Other useful resources: https://www.explainthatstuff.com/howmirrorswork.html https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zbssgk7/articles/zqdxb82 Year 3 Tasks Red - Children to complete the activities as a group. When recording the results, children are expected to draw a diagram/picture to showcase their understanding. Blue - Children to complete the activity by using the template provided. Gold - Children to complete the activities using the template provided ensuring they explain how the mirrors reflect light. |
| | | | | | | Year 4 Tasks |



| | | | | Year 3 – Children to explore the activities and an adult to take pictures and record discussions of children. Year 4 – Children to complete the activities as a group. When recording the results, children are expected to draw a diagram/picture to showcase their understanding. | | Red - Children to complete the activity by using the template provided. Blue - Children to complete the activities using the template provided ensuring they explain how the mirrors reflect light. Gold - Children to complete the activities and record their findings using diagrams and a full paragraph. <u>Year 3 Deepen the moment</u> Why do you think mirrors are so effective at reflecting light? <u>Year 4 Deepen the moment</u> If a mirror is not smooth, it will still reflect because it is shiny. Do you agree? Justify your answer. |
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| Week 4 | To recognise the impact of light from the | Recognise that light from the sun can be | Light source Dark | GD: Year 3 – Children to design a poster to | Children may think that: | Children will begin the lesson by recapping their VIPs through a variety of kagan activities. |
| Children will | sun. | dangerous and that there are | Reflection Reflect | explain the dangers of the sun. They will | The sun can only cause damage if it | After talking through the knowledge part of the notebook slides, children will show their understanding of light from the sun and the |
| understand that: | | ways to | Reflective | be expected to work | is hot. | dangers it poses through a poster or a fact file. |
| - The sun can be | | protect their eyes. | Ray Mirror | independently and use other resources | You can look at | They will complete an appropriate task to show their understanding |
| damaging to our | | 0,00. | Material | without guidance | the sun as long as | of the above. |
| eye health. | | Asking | Surfaces | such as text books | it is very quickly. | |
| - We must never | | relevant questions and | Eyes Protection | and iPads. | You can see UV | See planning slides on trust shared. |
| look directly at the sun. | | using different | Pupil | Year 4 - Children to | light from the sun. | Resources: |
| - We need | | types of | Retina | write a fact file | 5 | - Plain paper for poster |
| protection such | | scientific | Shadow | explaining the | | - Fact file template |
| as sunglasses | | enquiries to answer them. | Opaque Translucent | dangers of the sun and how we can | | Other useful resources: |
| and hats. | | answer menn. | Transparent | protect ourselves. | | https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/48609398 |
| | | | Transparent | They will be | | |
| | | | | expected to use | | https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zvwtqp3 |
| | | | | diagrams of the eye | | |
| | | | | to show their | | https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z6hv9j6/articles/zr8q8hv |
| | | | | understanding of the | | |



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| | 1 | 1 | 1 | damage the sun can | 1 | Year 3 Tasks |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | potentially cause. | 1 | Red - Children to design a pair of sunglasses and label it to show |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | how they can protect us from the sun. |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | SEND: | 1 | Blue - Children to design a poster to show how we protect |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | Year 3 - Children to | 1 | ourselves from the sun. |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | design a pair of | 1 | Gold - Children to design a poster to explain the dangers of the |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | sunglasses and label | 1 | sun. |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | it to show how they | 1 | |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | can protect us from | 1 | Year 4 Tasks |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | the sun. | 1 | Red - Children to design a poster to show how we protect ourselves |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | from the sun. |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | Year 4 – Children to | 1 | Blue - Children to design a poster to explain the dangers of the |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | work as a group to | 1 | sun. |
| | ' | 1 | 1 | decide the main | 1 | Gold - Children to write a fact file explaining the dangers of the sun |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | ways to protect | 1 | and how we can protect ourselves. |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | ourselves from the | 1 | |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | sun. Adults could | 1 | Year 3 Deepen the moment |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | already have these | 1 | I think that you can look at the sun as long as it is for a short |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | printed so children | 1 | amount of time. Do you agree? Justify your answer. |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | can stick them down | 1 | Year 4 Deepen the moment |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | and draw pictures to | 1 | Given that Mars has no ozone layer, astronauts will be exposed to |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | show their | 1 | high levels of UV light. Draw a picture of equipment which could be |
| | ۱ <u> </u> | II | 11 | understanding. | | used to help protect them from the sun. |
| | To understand | Recognise that | | GD: | Children may | Children will begin the lesson by recapping their VIPs through a |
| Week 5 | how shadows | shadows are | Light source | Year 3 – Children | think that: | variety of kagan activities. |
| | are created. | formed when | Dark | will complete the | 1 | |
| Children will | 1 | the light from a | Reflection | experiment as a | - Shadows are | After talking through the knowledge part of the notebook slides, |
| understand that: | 1 | light source is | Reflect | team by working out | only created by | children will be testing different materials to see which ones create |
| | 1 | blocked by an | Reflective | how you are going to | sun light. | shadows. Children will write an investigation question and a |
| - A shadow is an | 1 | opaque object. | Ray | answer the | | prediction based on their learning so far. They will complete the |
| area of darkness | 1 | | Mirror | investigation | - All materials | investigation using the results table given to them. After this, they |
| where light has | 1 | Using | Material | question. There may | create a shadow. | will have time to reflect on their results and write a conclusion |
| been blocked. | 1 | straightforward | Surfaces | be a few red herring | | based on their original predictions. |
| NOON NICCHOL. | 1 | scientific | Eyes | items within your | - Shadows cannot | Ŭ . |
| - Opaque | 1 | evidence to | Protection | equipment that may | be created at night | See planning slides on trust shared. |
| describes an | 1 | answer | Pupil | not be needed for | time. | |
| object that does | 1 | questions or to | Retina | this experiment. | | Resources: |
| | 1 | support their | Shadow | 1 | | - Torches |
| | 1 | findings. | Opaque | 1 | | - Variety of materials (opaque, translucent and transparent). |
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| not let any light | Translucent | Year 4 – Children | - Rule | rs |
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| pass through it. | Transparent | will complete the | | |
| | | experiment as a | | useful resources: |
| - Translucent | | team by working out | https | ://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/z6fnvcw |
| describes objects | | how you are going to | | |
| that let some | | answer the | https | ://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/z8vfb9q |
| light through, but | | investigation | | |
| scatter the light | | question. There may | Year | 3 Tasks & Year 4 Tasks |
| so we can't see | | be a few red herring | Both | /ear groups will complete the same task but differentiation |
| through them | | items within your | through | h year groups will be based on outcomes. Year 3 children will |
| properly. | | equipment that may | | more scaffolding and supporting materials, whereas year 4 |
| | | not be needed for | | en will be expected to work more independently. |
| - Transparent | | this experiment. | | |
| describes objects | | Children will also | Red - | Children will complete the experiment with adult support |
| that let light | | have to create their | | the result table provided. |
| travel through | | own means of | | - Children will complete the experiment using the result table |
| them easily, | | recording their | | led and the method modelled by an adult. |
| meaning you can | | results. | | Children will complete the experiment as a team by working |
| see through the | | | | wyou are going to answer the investigation question. There |
| object. | | SEND: | | be a few red herring items within your equipment that may not |
| | | Year 3 – Children | | eded for this experiment. |
| | | will work as a group | | |
| | | and have the adult | | |
| | | record the results. | Year | 3 Deepen the moment: |
| | | Allow the children to | | that the best materials to create shadows are translucent |
| | | explore, talk and ask | | Do you agree? Explain your answer in full. |
| | | questions. Take | | |
| | | pictures of children | Year | 4 Deepen the moment |
| | | working and any | | ays, 'All objects create shadows. It is just the light moving |
| | | 'writing' to be | | or further away from the object that creates the shadow'. Do |
| | | completed as a | | gree or disagree? Use evidence to support your answer. |
| | | group. | you u | gree of dibugree. Obe evidence to support your difewer. |
| | | group. | | |
| | | Year 4 – Children | | |
| | | will complete the | | |
| | | experiment with | | |
| | | adult support using | | |
| | | the result table | | |
| | | provided. | | |
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| Week 6 | To find patterns | Find patterns in the way that the size of | Light Light source Dark | GD Year 3 – Allow children to work | Children may think that: | Children will begin the lesson by recapping their VIPs through a variety of kagan activities. |
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| | between an object, light | shadows | Reflection | independently to | - The closer a light | After talking through the knowledge part of the notebook slides, |
| Children will understand that: | and the size of a shadow. | change. Identifying | Reflect Reflective Ray | complete the task without any prompts or support. Children | source is to an object, the smaller the shadow will | children will be testing different distances of the light source to an object. Children will write an investigation question and a prediction based on their learning so far. They will complete the investigation |
| - A shadow is | | differences, similarities or | Mirror Material | should start to think of their own | be. | using the results table given to them. After this, they will have time to reflect on their results and write a conclusion based on their |
| larger when an | | changes | Surfaces | sentences to | - Shadows can | original predictions. |
| object is closer to | | related to | Eyes | showcase their | only be created | |
| the light source | | simple | Protection | understanding. | with large objects. | See planning slides on trust shared. |
| because it blocks | | scientific ideas | Pupil | | | |
| more of the light. | | and | Retina | Year 4 – Allow | - You can only use | Resources: |
| | | processes. | Shadow Opaque | children to work independently to | a torch to create a shadow. | - Torch - An object to shine torch on. |
| | | | Translucent | show their learning | shauow. | - A ruler/meter stick |
| | | | Transparent | of light and dark. | | |
| | | | | Encourage them to | | Other useful resources: |
| | | | | use pictures and | | https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zshxpv4 |
| | | | | diagrams and how light and dark effects real life. | | https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m8yb4hnA2dI |
| | | | | | | Year 3 Tasks & Year 4 Tasks |
| | | | | SEND | | Both year groups will complete the same task but differentiation |
| | | | | Year 3 – Children | | through year groups will be based on outcomes. Year 3 children will |
| | | | | will spend more time | | have more scaffolding and supporting materials, whereas year 4 |
| | | | | on the feely activity. Take pictures of | | children will be expected to work more independently. |
| | | | | children working and | | Red - Children will complete the experiment with adult support |
| | | | | allow them to | | using the result table provided. |
| | | | | verbally say what | | Blue - Children will complete the experiment using the result table |
| | | | | | | provided and the method modelled by an adult. |
| | | | | Year 4 – Children | | Gold Children will complete the experiment as a team by working |
| | | | | will complete the | | out how you are going to answer the investigation question. There |
| | | | | paragraph to show their understanding | | may be a few red herring items within your equipment that may not be needed for this experiment. |
| | | | | of light and dark by | | be needed for this experiment. |
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| | using the key words provided. | Year 3 Deepen the moment: Always. Sometimes. Never. The closer the light source is to an object, the smaller the shadow will be. |
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| | | Year 4 Deepen the moment Explain how your shadow would change throughout the day and why this happens. Use diagrams to support your answer. |

Context (big picture learning)

In LKS2, Science is a vital part of the curriculum that allows children to explore, examine and think about scientific ideas. It is an important part of the Science curriculum journey where there is a heavy emphasis on getting children to work scientifically, ask and answer questions and problem solve as they understand the knowledge behind each unit. In this unit children will work scientifically to by looking for patterns in what happens to shadows when the light source moves or the distance between the light source and the object changes. Children will explore what happens when light reflects off a mirror or other reflective surfaces, including playing mirror games to help them to answer questions about how light behaves. Children are heavily encouraged to work with their peers to create and answer their own questions to allow them to investigate and explore new theories independently. They will understand why it is important to protect their eyes from bright lights and the importance of this in the real world. In addition, they will explore and measure shadows and find out how they are formed and what might cause the shadows to change. Again, this will support them when moving into adult life and the importance of understanding how a shadow is formed.

Folder name (Trust shared > Primaries > KS2 > Year 3/4 Planning > Cycle B > Summer 1 - The Iron Man > Science)

Week 1 L1

Week 2 L2

Week 3 L3

Week 4 L4

Week 5 L5

Week 6 L6

Week 7 Assessment

Key Vocabulary

Light - a form of energy that travels in a wave from a source.

Light source - an object that makes its own light.

Dark - the absence of light.

Reflection - the process where light hits the surface of an object and bounces back into our eyes.

Reflective - describes something which reflects light well. E.g. hi vis jacket, cats eyes.

Ray - a straight line of light.

Mirror - a material which reflects a clear image.

Material - the matter of what a thing is or what it is made from.

Surfaces - the outside part or upmost layer of an object.

Eyes - a pair of global organs which allows us to see.

Protection - keep safe from harm or injury.

Pupil - the black part of the eye which lets light in.

Retina - a layer at the very back of the eye where it takes the light that the eye receives. It then changes it into nerve signals to send to the brain.

Shadow - an area of darkness where light has been blocked.

Opaque - objects that do not let any light pass through them.

Translucent - objects that let some light through, but scatter the light so we can't see through them properly.

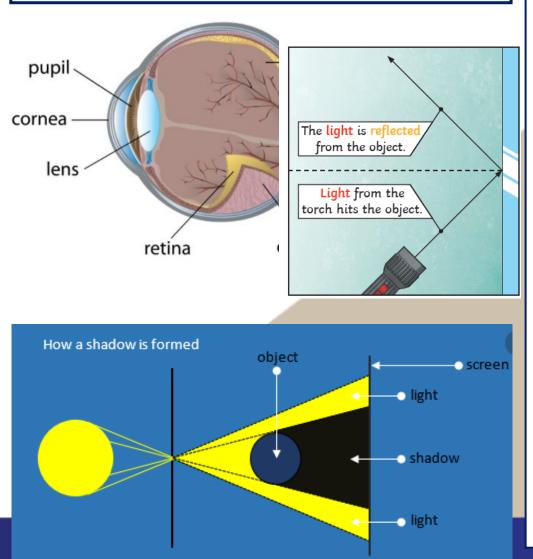
Transparent - objects that let light travel through them easily, meaning that you can see through the object.

Year 3/4 Science Knowledge Organiser: Light

Intent: To enable you, as learners, to understand the importance of natural light and light sources. You will learn about good eye health and how light enables us to see. In addition, you will experiment with different materials to see which are the most and least reflective. Finally, you will understand the link between objects, light and shadows.

Fat Question

How would the world be different if we had no natural light?





Very Important Points (VIPs):

- Light is a form of energy that travels in a wave from a source.
- We need light to be able to see things.
- Light travels in a straight line.

- A light source is an object that makes its own light.

- Dark is the absence of light.
- Reflection is the process where light hits the surface of an object and bounces back into our eyes.
- Reflective is a word that describes something which reflects light well. E.g. hi vis jacket, cats eyes.

- The best surfaces that reflect light best are smooth, shiny and flat.

- Some surfaces and materials do not reflect light well. E.g. a rough surface.
- Waves of light are called light rays which can also be called beams.
- The pupil is the black part of the eye which lets light in.
- The retina is a layer at the very back of the eye where it takes the light that the eye receives. It then changes it into nerve signals to send to the brain.
- If too much light enters, then it can damage the retina.
- To help protect the eyes, you can wear a hat with a wide brim and sunglasses with a UV rating.
- A shadow is an area of darkness where light has been blocked.
- A shadow is larger when an object is closer to the light source because it blocks more of the light.