

Buglawton Primary School

Be the Best We Can

Topic: Living things and their habitats

Subject: Science

Year: 2

Term: Autumn

What should I already know?

- Identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees.
- Identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees.
- Identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals.
- Identify and name a variety of common animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.
- Describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals, including pets).
- Observe changes across the four seasons.

What will I know and by the end of the unit?

- Explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead, and things 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
- 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

What will I be able to do by the end of the unit?

- Can find a range of items outside that are living, dead and never
- Can name a range of animals and plants that live in a habitat and micro-habitats that they have studied
- Can talk about how the features of these animals and plants make them suitable to the habitat
- Can talk about what the animals eat in a habitat and how the plants provide shelter for them
- Can construct a food chain that starts with a plant and has the arrows pointing in the correct direction
- Can sort into living, dead and never lived
- Can give key features that mean the animal or plant is suited to its
- Using a food chain can explain what animals eat
- Can explain in simple terms why an animal or plant is suited to a habitat e.g. the caterpillar cannot live under the soil like a worm as it needs fresh leaves to eat; the seaweed we found on the beach cannot live in our pond because it is not salty

Key Vocabulary A habitat is the natural place something habitat lives. A habitat provides living things with everything they need to survive such as food, shelter and water. microhabitat A microhabitat is a very small habitat in places like under a rock, under leaves or on a branch. Minibeasts live in microhabitats. The microhabitats have everything they need to survive. Many living things in a habitat depend on depend each other. This means they need each other for different things. This means to stay alive. survive

Examples of microhabitats:

Examples of habitats:

Key Knowledge

woodland







arctic

desert



ocean





mountain



processes

stay alive.

comes from.

life processes

living

dead

never living

food chain

food sources

short grass

These are the things that all living things do. They move, breathe, sense, grow, make

babies, get rid of waste and get their energy

Things that are living have all the life

Things that are dead were once living. They did have all the life processes but don't now.

Things made out of metal, plastic or rock

were never living. They never had the life

A food chain shows how each animal gets

its food. Food chains are one of the ways that living things depend on each other to

This is the place a living thing's food



flowers

Key Knowledge



inside rotting wood



under leaves



Agreed	Real	Life





Outcome:

Choose a microhabitat and write features of it.