SCIENCE (Grade K) | Curriculum Map

K-2 GRADE BAND THEME: Observations of the Environment This theme focuses on helping students develop skills for systematic	SCIENCE INQUIRY & APPLICATIONS: During the years of PreK-4, all students must develop the ability to
discover to understand the science of the natural world around them in	\rightarrow Observe and ask questions about the natural environment.
greater depth by using scientific inquiry.	\rightarrow Plan and conduct simple investigations.
Kindergarten overview: Living and nonliving things have specific physical properties that can be used to sort and classify. The physical properties of air and water are presented as they apply to weather	 → Employ simple equipment and tools to gather data and extend the senses. → Use appropriate mathematics with data to construct reasonable explanations. → Communicate about observations, investigations, and explanations. → Review and ask questions about the observations and explanations of others.

EARTH & SPACE SCIENCE (ESS)

Daily and Seasonal Changes. This topic focuses on observing, exploring, describing and comparing weather changes, patterns in the sky, and changing seasons.

Ohio Science Standards (2018)	Essential Vocabulary	Student Learning Targets	Suggested Investigations
 ESS K.1. Weather changes are long term and short term. Weather changes occur throughout the day and from day to day. Air is a nonliving substance that surrounds Earth, and wind is air that is moving. Wind, temperature, and precipitation can be used to document short-term weather changes that are observable. Yearly weather changes (seasons) are observable patterns in the daily weather changes. Note: The focus is on observing the weather patterns of seasons. The reason for changing 	air changes (long term, short term) nonliving observe patterns seasons (autumn/fall, winter, spring, summer) weather (rain, sun, clouds, partly cloudy, wind, temperature)	 Observe and record changes in the weather, season to season and throughout the day. [L2] Describe wind. [L2] Identify patterns in weather changes. [L3] 	 Take seasonal walks; observe items typically found during the different seasons (e.g., acorns, leaves, snow etc.). Weather forecaster job or station: Fill out a weather forecast form for the day using tools provided (flag, thermometer). Write daily weather charts or graphs. Make weather measurements on a regular basis throughout the school year and then compare, explain and discuss each week and each month. Use age-appropriate tools to observe, measure and document wind, temperature and precipitation, e.g., identify whether the temperature is above or below a given

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seasons is not appropriate for this grade level; this is found in grade 7.			point (warmer or colder) or mark snow depth on a dowel rod.
 ESS K.2. The moon, sun and stars can be observed at different times of the day or night. The moon, sun and stars are in different positions at different times of the day or night. Sometimes the moon is visible during the night; sometimes the moon is visible during the day; and at other times, the moon is not visible at all. The observable shape of the moon changes in size very slowly throughout the month. The sun is visible only during the day. The sun's position in the sky appears to change in a single day and from season to season. Stars are visible at night; some are visible in the evening or morning; and some are brighter than others. 	moon sun stars evening morning day night visible shape size change bright appearance	 Observe the locations of the sun, moon and stars over time. [L2] Show how the sun or moon changes over time. [L2] Predict whether the sun or moon will be visible. [L3] 	 Visit the Ohio State or COSI Planetarium. Explore with Google Sky. Complete virtual observations of the sun and stars, then compare data month to month to observe changes. Create a sundial. Measure and record shadows throughout the day and connect to the sun's movement. Observe the moon. Make a calendar of how the moon changes.

Interactive Science	Suggested Cross-Curricular Connections for Earth and Space Science: Daily and Seasonal Changes			
	English Language Arts	Mathematics	Social Studies	Other
Interactive Science	English Language Arts <u>Reading Literary Text (RL)</u> K.RL.1 Ask and answer questions K.RL.2 Retell familiar stories with key details K.RL.3 Identify characters, settings, and major events. K.RL.4 Ask and answer questions about unknown words. K.RL.5 Recognize common types of texts. K.RL.6 Name author and illustrator and define role of each. K.RL.7 Describe relationship between illustrations and story. K.RL.9 Compare & contrast adventures and experiences of characters in familiar stories. <u>Writing Narrative (W)</u> W.K.3 Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to narrate a single event or several loosely linked events, tell about the events in the	-	-	-
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	W.K.7 Participate in shared research and writing projects (e.g., explore a number of books by a favorite author and express opinions about them).			

PHYSICAL SCIENCE (PS)

Properties of Everyday Objects and Materials. This topic focuses on the production of sound and on observing, exploring, describing and comparing the properties of objects and materials with which the student is familiar.

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 PS K.1. Objects and materials can be sorted and described by their properties. Objects can be sorted and described by the properties of the materials from which they are made. Some of the properties can include color, size and texture. 	cloth color glass material metal object paper property size texture (smooth, bumpy, rough) wood	 Recognize the materials an object is made of. [L1] Describe objects by their properties. [L2] Classify objects by properties and describe how I've sorted. [L3] Compare and contrast objects based on their properties. [L3] 	 Identify five senses and use to explore objects using measurement tools and magnifying glasses. Complete observational drawings and labeling of items. Use observable (touch, see, hear, smell) information to categorize items by creating a system of organization (e.g., objects can be identified by material, color, shape, texture). Create a visual representation of a categorization of various objects and present findings orally.
 PS K.2. Some objects and materials can be made to <u>vibrate to produce</u> sound. Sound is produced by touching, blowing or tapping objects. The sounds that are produced vary depending on the properties of objects. Sound is produced when objects vibrate. 	blow sound (<i>low, high,</i> <i>fast, slow, loud,</i> <i>soft</i>) tap touch vibrate	 Explore and identify ways to make different sounds. [L3 & 4] Predict what kind of sound will be made by different materials or vibrations. [L3] Describe how sound is made. [L2] 	 Field trip: school concert; symphony Compare sounds made from drums with different properties. Explore objects and discover ways to use them to make many various sounds. Compare the notes made from a rubber band stretched at various lengths. (represent the sounds with pictures). Create instruments. Change properties of homemade instruments (e.g. drum) to cause different pitches. Explore vibrations by putting rice on the head of a drum.

Interactive Science	Suggested Cross-Curricular Connections for Physical Science: Properties of Everyday Objects and Materials			
	English Language Arts	Mathematics	Social Studies	Other
Ch. 5: Objects	Reading Informational Text (RI)	Mathematical Practices (MP)	Economics (E)	<u>Careers</u>
Lesson 1: What are your five	K.RI.1: Ask and answer questions about	K.MP.2: Reason abstractly and	K.E.11: Individuals have	musician,
senses?	key details	quantitatively	wants and needs; make	scientist
Lesson 2: What are objects	K.RI.2: Identify main topic and details	K.MP.7: Look for and make use of	decisions to satisfy wants	
made of?	K.RI.3: Describe connection between two	structure	K.E.12: Goods are objects;	
Lesson 3: What can you tell	individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of		services are actions; both	Technology
about objects?	information	Measurement and Data (MD)	can satisfy wants	sonar
Lesson 4: How can you sort	K.RI.4: Ask and answer questions about	K.MD.1: Identify and describe		
objects?	unknown words	measurable attributes of a single		
Lesson 5: How is sound	K.RI.6: Name author of a text	object		
made?	K.RI.7: Describe relationship between	K.MD.3: Classify objects into		
	illustrations & text	given categories; count the		
	K.RI.9: Identify similarities and	numbers of objects in each		
	differences between two texts on same	category		
	topic			
		<u>Geometry (G)</u>		
	Writing (W)	K.G.2: Correctly name shapes		
	K.W.2: Use a combination of drawing,	regardless of orientation or size		
	dictating, and writing to compose	K.G.4: Describe and compare 2D		
	informative/explanatory texts that name	or 3D shapes		
	what is being written about and supply	K.G.5: Model shapes in the world		
	some information about the topic	by building shapes from		
		components		
	K.W.8: With guidance and support from			
	adults, recall information from			
	experiences or gather information from			
	provided sources to answer a question			

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 LS K.1. Living things have specific characteristics and traits. Living things grow and reproduce. Living things are found worldwide. 	animal characteristic living (<i>alive, grow</i>) nonliving plant reproduce trait	 List living things. [L1] Describe living things. [L2] Compare and contrast living things found in Ohio. [L3] 	 Possible field trip: any Metro Park. Observe living and nonliving items in the environment. Compare land animals to water animals (e.g., worms to fish). Design and maintain an environment that will support living things (e.g., fish, worms, plants, potato bugs, lizards, etc.). Observe plants growing toward a light source. Explore what happens when the plant is rotated o placed in a location, e.g. on the floor, in a closet, on a desk, etc. Ask: Which type of flower attracts more birds, butterflies, bees or moths? Investigate by growing a flower garden and keeping accurate records of which types of animals visit each chosen type of flower.
 LS K.2. Living things have <u>physical</u> <u>traits and behaviors</u>, which influence their survival. Living things are made up of a variety of structures. Some traits can be observable structures. Some of these structures and behaviors influence their survival. 	behavior physical trait structure survival	 Recognize common structures of living things. [L1] Identify behaviors of living things. [L3] Compare how structures of living things help them survive. [L3] Contrast how behaviors of living things help them survive. [L3] 	 Examine pictures and live examples of plants and animals. Identify structures and behaviors. Make note of their similarities and differences. Label diagrams. Plant seeds and watch them grow. Identify the functions of specific parts of plants and animals. Label diagrams. Possible field trips: local or Metro Park, Franklin Park Conservatory, Columbus Zoo

Interactive Science	Suggested Cross-Curricular Connections for Life Science: Daily and Seasonal Changes			
	English Language Arts	Mathematics	Social Studies	Other
Ch. 3: Living Things and	Reading Informational Text (RI)	Mathematical Practices (MP)	Geography (G)	Careers:
Nonliving Things	K.RI.1: Ask and answer questions	K.MP.3: Construct viable	K.G.5: Direction and distance	cartographer,
Lesson 1: What are living	about key details	arguments and critique the	terms, symbols, and	gardener,
things?	K.RI.2: Identify main topic and details	reasoning of others	landmarks can be used to	marine biologist,
Lesson 2: What do living	K.RI.3: Describe connection between		talk about location of familiar	zoologist
things need?	two individuals, events, ideas, or		places	
Lesson 3: How are animals	pieces of information		K.G.6: Models and maps	<u>Technology</u>
alike and different?	K.RI.4: Ask and answer questions		represent real places	
Lesson 4: How are plants	about unknown words		K.G.7: Humans depend on	
alike and different?	K.RI.6: Name author and illustrator of		and impact their physical	
	a text; define their roles in presenting		environment to supply food,	
	ideas or information		clothing, and shelter	
	K.RI.7: Describe relationship between			
	illustrations and text			
	K.RI.8: Identify reasons an author			
	gives to support points			
	K.RI.9: Identify similarities and			
	differences between two texts on			
	same topic			
	Writing Opinion (W)			
	K.W.1: Use a combination of drawing,			
	dictating, and writing to compose			
	opinion pieces that tell a reader the			
	topic or the name of the book being			
	written about and express an opinion			
	or preference about the topic or book			
	(e.g., My favorite book is)			

District Instructional Resources:

Interactive Science (2012) / Pearson – six-year adoption (2019-2020 to 2024-2025) that includes resources:

- Digital texts only (online student edition, videos, virtual labs, simulations, animations, vocabulary match, assessments, and leveled readers with ELL support)
- Inquiry (activity cards, materials equipment kit)
- Readers' theater, science songs
- STEM activity book

Standards Alignment:

Ohio Learning Standards – retrieved Feb. 11, 2019 from

http://education.ohio.gov/getattachment/Topics/Learning-in-Ohio/Science/Ohios-Learning-Standards-and-MC/SciFinalStandards121018.pdf.aspx?lang=en-US

Levels of Complexity / Performance Verbs:

Level I - Recall	Level 2 - Skill/Concept	Level 3 - Strategic Thinking	Level 4 - Extended Thinking
 Arrange 	 Categorize 	 Apply 	 Analyze
 Choose 	 Collect 	 Classify 	 Assess
 Define 	 Describe 	 Compare 	 Conduct
 Draw 	 Document 	 Communicate 	 Connect
 Label 	 Estimate 	 Contrast 	Create
 List 	 Illustrate 	 Demonstrate 	 Design
 Name 	 Measure 	 Determine 	 Evaluate
 Recognize 	 Observe 	 Develop 	 Explore
 Tell 	 Organize 	 Explain 	 Infer
	 Predict 	 Identify 	
	 Record 	 Investigate 	
	 Represent 	 Plan 	
	 Use 	 Relate 	
		 Support 	