

Science and EYFS

This document shows which early years outcomes are prerequisite skills for science within the National Curriculum. The most relevant early years outcomes for science are taken from the following areas of learning:

- Understanding the World
- Physical Development
- Expressive Arts and Design

30-50 Months	Understanding the World	The World	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To comment and ask questions about aspects of their familiar world, such as the place where they live or the natural world. • To talk about some of the things they have observed, such as plants, animals, natural and found objects. • To talk about why things happen and how things work. • To develop an understanding of growth, decay and changes over time. • To show care and concern for living things and the environment.
	Physical Development	Health and Self-Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To observe the effects of physical activity on their bodies.
	Expressive Arts and Design	Exploring and Using Media and Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To begin to be interested in and describe the texture of things.
40-60 Months	Understanding the World	The World	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To look closely at similarities, differences, patterns and change.
	Physical Development	Health and Self-Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To eat a healthy range of foodstuffs and understand a need for variety in food. • To show some understanding that good practices with regard to exercise, eating, sleeping and hygiene can contribute to good health.
ELG	Understanding the World	The World	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To know about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things. They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another.
	Physical Development	Health and Self-Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To know the importance for good health of physical exercise, and a healthy diet, and talk about ways to keep healthy and safe.

