

Pre-primary year Syllabus

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Science Understanding

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

Living things have basic needs, including food and water

Science as a Human Endeavour

NATURE AND DEVELOPMENT OF SCIENCE

Science Inquiry Skills

QUESTIONING AND PREDICTING

Pose and respond to questions about

[\(ACSSU002\)](#)

CHEMICAL SCIENCES

Objects are made of materials that have observable properties

[\(ACSSU003\)](#)

EARTH AND SPACE SCIENCES

Daily and seasonal changes in our environment affect everyday life

[\(ACSSU004\)](#)

PHYSICAL SCIENCES

The way objects move depends on a variety of factors, including their size and shape

[\(ACSSU005\)](#)


 Numeracy


Science involves observing, asking questions about, and describing changes in, objects and events

[\(ACSHE013\)](#)

familiar objects and events [\(AC SIS014\)](#)

 Literacy

 Critical and creative thinking

 Personal and social capability

PLANNING AND CONDUCTING

Participate in guided investigations and make observations using the senses


[\(AC SIS011\)](#)

PROCESSING AND ANALYSING DATA AND INFORMATION

Engage in discussions about observations and represent ideas

[\(AC SIS233\)](#)

 Literacy

 Critical and creative thinking

COMMUNICATING

Share observations

Pre-primary Achievement Standard

Science Understanding

At Standard, students describe the properties and behaviour of familiar objects. They suggest how the environment affects them and other living things.

Science as a Human Endeavour

Students share and reflect on observations.

Science Inquiry Skills

Students ask and respond to questions about familiar objects and events.

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