### **ELG Natural World:**

Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons and changing states of matter.

### **Key Vocabulary**

wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, rock, brick, paper, foil, card/cardboard, rubber, wool, clay, hard, soft, stretchy, stiff, bendy, floppy, waterproof, breaks/tears, rough, smooth, shiny, dull, seethrough, not see-through
Weather (sunny, rainy, windy, snowy etc.)
Seasons (winter, summer, spring, autumn)

## Investigations and Skills for thinking like a Scientist











### Sticky Knowledge:

Know the names of materials and describe them

Know the names of the seasons and describe the natural world in those seasons

Know that water turns to ice when it gets very cold.

#### **Comparative Tests**

What material makes a good alien arm?

What material makes a good shelter? What materials would make a good birds' nest? (forest school)

### **Identify & Classify**

Sorting waste from snack time – What can go in the compost?

Sorting rocks

Sort pictures of weather into different seasons.

# Observation over time

Seasonal observations over time. Observe what happen to water when it is very cold. Observe disappearing

puddles.

### Pattern seeking

Why doesn't cardboard make a good boat? What materials make good boats?

### R Prior Knowledge:

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Play imaginatively with a range of materials as they explore all their senses. Become creative as they explore and experiment with what different materials can do. (Birth to 3)

# • Potential Evidence to support our Scientists (I can..):

I can sort different materials using my senses

I can describe what materials are good for different things (e.g cardboard is not good for a shelter because it went all wet and soggy and you would get wet)

I can describe what happens to ice when we take it out of the freezer

I can name the four seasons and tell you what weather we might expect to see.

# Big Question: What is this made from? What does it feel like?

# Future Knowledge:

Distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made.

Identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water, and rock.

Describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials.

Compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of their simple physical properties.

Cultural Capital		
Visits and visitors	Experiences and events	Key texts
Forest School Redwood Visit to Beach	Explore different materials using senses Forest school Weather – snow, frost, rain	George Saves the World by Lunchtime Jo Readman Seasons go, Seasons Come Tree Britta Tickentrup
Community events and links	Global issues	Famous people/ Key Scientists
Harvest, Christmas, Easter – chicks, eggs, lambs, summer sports days. Sun safe.	Plastics in the ocean Sorting our waste	
Life Skills Creativity, stickability, learning realtionships	<b>Key places</b> Outside and inside FS learning environment	