Knowledge Organiser

Science Focus		Living Things and their Habitats	Year 6		
What? (Key Knowledge)			Statutory requirements		
<u>Habitats</u>			Pupils should be taught to:		
Environment	Identify and name a variety of common animals that are birds, fish, amphibians, reptiles and mammals and the differences in their environments.		Describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including microorganisms, plants and animals		
Food chains and their significance	Food chains are a map of the flow of energy from a plant (primary producer) through consumers, (primary consumers) and hunters Classifying Plants and Animals (secondary consumers).		Give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics		
			What? (Key vocab)		
			Spelling		Definition
Describe, compare and	Describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals (birds, fish, amphibians, reptiles and mammals, and including pets). Identify, name, draw and label food chains and ecosystems.		Organism		idual living thing, such as a n animal, or a bacteria.
contrast			Classifying	To put into groups according to things that are similar.	
			Unique	Being the only one of its type.	
Living Things			Vertebrate	Having a backbone	
Identify and	 Invertebrates (e.g. crab, worm) Fish (e.g. goldfish, cod, shark) Amphibians (e.g. frog, toad) Reptiles (e.g. snake, crocodile) Birds (e.g. robin, chicken, owl) Mammals (e.g. human, dog) Plants 		Invertebrate	Without	a backbone
show understanding of the differences between living things			Mammal	Any animal that has hair and feeds its babies with milk from the mother.	
			Ecosystem	A community of living things, together with their environment.	
		ganisms	Habitat	The natu	ural environment of an or plant
Identify	Identify and name a variety of common animals and plants and classify them under a set of specific criteria		Food chain		of living beings in which ves as food for the next.
	Possible ex	rperiences	Diagrams and Pictures		
 Finding and classifying animals in the school environment Looking closely at the features of animals using 			DON'T MAKE SEEDS MAKES SEEDS		

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Visit from the 'animal person' to introduce less common animals (snakes and reptiles, spiders)

Pupils in the school to classify and identify animals and plants in the school and local environment

Design a set of identification cards.