

Y1 - Seasonal Changes

Lesson 2

Lesson	2 of 6	Key Unit Question:	Why does the weather change during the different seasons?	Key Lesson Question:	What is summer?
Learning Objective		NC Links		Resources	
I can observe and describe changes across the four seasons.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Observe changes across the four seasons Identify and classify 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Large sheet of paper to collect ideas Differentiated activity, challenge and next step activities 	

Teaching Input

- Thinking time. What happens to our weather throughout the year? Allow children time to think or discuss with their partner first. Gather ideas and collect on a large sheet of paper to display on the science display.
- Thinking time. Can you name the four seasons? Allow children time to think or discuss with their partner first. Gather ideas and collect on a large sheet of paper to display on the science display.
- Today we are going to look at summer. Summer is usually within the months of June, July and August. Can you think of any words to describe summer?
- In summer the days are at their longest and the weather is the warmest. The trees are full of leaves. In Britain, schools close for a lot of the summer for the '6-week summer holidays'. During this time many families choose to go on holiday and spend time together. Can you think of anything else that happens in summer?
- In summer, it is important that we look after ourselves in the sun. How can we keep ourselves safe?
- Independent activity. Use the template to create a poster to show how children can stay safe in the sun.
- Plenary. Recap what we have learnt today about summer.

As part of the lesson, you may want to go outside and see what is happening to the school grounds/local area. You could concentrate on one tree throughout this topic to see how the tree changes throughout the different seasons. Children could also draw pictures using the colours they can see or take photos so they can compare.

Differentiated Activities

★ (working below)	★★ (working at)	★★★ (working at)
What can you wear to keep safe on a hot summer day?	Use the template to draw a poster to show how children can keep safe in the sun.	Use the template to draw a poster to show how children can keep safe in the sun.

Challenge activity	Next Step activity
What happens in summer? Complete the sentences. The weather... The trees... The days...	Which months are usually in the summer season? Tick the correct answer.

Assessment questions	Self assessment	Key vocabulary
What is summer? What happens in summer? How do you know it is summer? Which months does summer usually happen during?	I can explain what summer is. I can explain what happens in summer.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> spring, season, growth, change, summer, sun, warm, shorter, longer, safe, sunlight, burn