Science Knowledge Organiser Evolution and inheritance (Term 4) Year 5

Our learning

In our science lessons this term, we are learning about evolution and inheritance. This is part of the biology aspect of science.

We will be considering the connections between the past and what we know now about animals. We will look at how species have changed and adapted over time.

Information

Natural selection means that organisms have adapted (changed) to make them better for the environment they live in.

Natural selection happens in both plants and animals.

We **inherit** (get) features from our parents such as the way we look.

Adaptation is important for a species to survive.

To survive the winter, animals have a range of **strategies**: hibernation, adaptations to their bodies (growing a thicker coat) and migration.

Fossils are the remains of plants and animals that lived long ago.

Vocabulary

Inherit- Receive through a parent's genes

Evolution- The theory that all the kinds of living things that exist today developed from earlier types

Environment- Everything around us Adapt- To change

Survival- The act of continuing to live

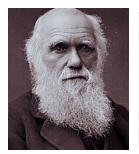


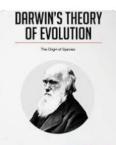












Charles Darwin developed the theory of evolution

As a scientist I will...

Recognise how scientific ideas change over time



A fossil

