Making progress with scientific vocabulary

Year 2
Children will have the opportunity to use the following additional vocabulary, including but not exclusively:

Working Scientifically	Living Things and	Plants	Animals including	Uses of Everyday
	Their Habitats		Humans	Materials
words relating to enquiry: comparative test, compare, find out about, notice, pattern	words relating to living things: living, alive, dead, never alive, healthy,	words relating to plants: mature, germination, growth, survive, healthy, shoot, seedling	words relating to humans/animals (life cycle): offspring, baby, toddler, child, teenager, adult,	Words relating to describing materials: reflective, non-reflective, transparent, opaque, rigid, flexible, strong, weak.
words relating to conveying scientific ideas: classify, classification, food chain words and phrases for	words relating to habitats: live, habitat, micro-habitat (and examples e.g. under a leaf, under a stone or log) home, environment, suited, needs, (basic needs) satisfy, provide	words relating to growth: water, light, (suitable) temperature, warmth, grow, healthy, cold, dark, wither, dry, limp, dry, green, yellow.	elderly person, young, old, grow, growth. examples of animal life cycles including but not exclusively: Egg, chick, chicken; egg, caterpillar, pupa, butterfly;	Words relating to materials uses: suitable, unsuitable, property, properties, best, purpose, job. Words relating to
making comparisons: characteristic, familiar, unfamiliar, differences, similarities, common (to all)	(provide for), provides, depend (on each other), variety, food, food chain, consumer, predator, prey, source (of food) water, air,		spawn, tadpole, frog; lamb, sheep, kitten, cat: puppy, dog; calf, cow; foal, horse. words relating to	material changes: object, change, squash, squashing, bend, bending, twist, twisting, stretch, stretching.
Words relating to data collection: accuracy, accurate, video, photographs, first-hand observation, record, pictogram, tally chart, Venn	shelter, safety, conditions (of habitats and micro- habitats e.g. wet, dry, dark). Names of habitats e.g. woodland, seashore,		humans/animals (basic needs): exercise, health, healthy, hygiene, clean, wash, water, food, air, right amounts (of foods). Fruits, vegetables, meat,	



diagram, chart, table. Words relating to equipment: hand lens, stopwatch, digital, iPad, beaker, pipette, syringe	desert, rainforest etc.	fish, eggs, beans, dairy, milk, fat, oil, sugar, balance.
		(nutrition and named food groups are introduced in Y3 so avoid protein, carbohydrates etc. here)

