Alignment Document
Next Generation Science Skills (NGSS)
For Kindergarten
(K & K-2)

Our program aligns with the NGSS Science and Engineering Practices

- 1. Asking Questions and Defining Problems
- 2. Developing and Using Models
- 3. Planning and Carrying out Investigations
- 4. Analyzing and Interpreting Data
- 5. Using Mathematical and Computational Thinking
- 6. Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions
- 7. Engaging in Argument from Evidence
- 8. Obtaining, Evaluating and Communicating Information

We have recommended lessons which support the following Disciplinary Core Ideas See the list attached

Physical Sciences

- Matter and Its Interactions
- Motion and Stability: Forces and Interactions
- Energy
- Waves and Their Applications

Life Sciences

- From Molecules to Organisms: Structures and Processes
- Ecosystems: Interactions, Energy and Dynamics
- Heredity: Inheritance and Variation of Traits
- Biological Evolution: Unity and Diversity

Earth and Space Sciences

- Earth's Place in the Universe
- Earth's Systems
- Earth and Human Activity

Engineering, Technology and Applications of Science

- Engineering Design
- Links among Engineering, Technology, Science and Society

We have recommended lessons which support the following Cross Cutting Concepts See the list attached

- ? 1. Patterns
- Cause and Effect
- 3. Scale, Proportion and Quantity
- 4. Systems and System Models
- **5.** Energy and Matter
- 6. Structure and Function
- 🧭 7. Stability and Change

Lesson recommendations

K-PS2 Motion and Stability: Forces and Interactions

K-PS2-1	Plan and conduct an investigation to compare the effects of different strengths or different directions of pushes and pulls on the motion of an object.	A Frantic Fall Power of the Air Friction on the Slopes Cupcake Tree
K-PS2-2	Analyze data to determine if a design solution works as intended to change the speed or direction of an object with a push or a pull.	Optical Illusions Mystical Magnets Hoseli's Journey Lift it Up Cupcake Tree

K-LS1 From Molecules to Organisms: Structures and Processes

K-LS1-1	Use observations to describe patterns of what plants and animals (including humans) need to survive.	Flowery Business From Seed to Plant Busy Bees Beehive Egg-straordinary Nest Building What Makes a Living Thing? Hiding in Plain Sight Fruity Surprise Habitat Hunting Caring for a Pet Dog
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K-ESS2 Earth's Systems

K-ESS2- 1	Use and share observations of local weather conditions to describe patterns over time.	Pressure In The Puddle Whirling With The Vortex Summer Sandcastles Cloudy Skies Force of the Wind
K-ESS2- 2	Construct an argument supported by evidence for how plants and animals (including humans) can change the environment to meet their needs.	Beehive Egg-straordinary Nest Building Habitat Hunting Hiding in Plain Sight

Lesson recommendations

K-ESS3 Earth and Human Activity

K-ESS3-1	Use a model to represent the relationship between the needs of different plants and animals (including humans) and the places they live.	Flowery Business Egg-straordinary Nest Building Habitat Hunting From Seed to Plant What Makes a Living Thing? Beehive Busy Bees
K-ESS3- 2	Ask questions to obtain information about the purpose of weather forecasting to prepare for, and respond to, severe weather.	A Freezing Surprise Force of the Wind The Great Inventors of the Secret Forest Whirling With The Vortex

K-2-ETS1 Engineering Design

K-2-ETS 1-1	Ask questions, make observations, and gather information about a situation people want to change to define a simple problem that can be solved through the development of a new or improved object or tool.	A Freezing Surprise Lift It Up! Carousel Safe Landing The Great Inventors of the Secret Forest Pi Hiding
K-2-ETS 1-2	Develop a simple sketch, drawing, or physical model to illustrate how the shape of an object helps it function as needed to solve a given problem.	Planning An Escape The Great Inventors of the Secret Forest Floating Problems Balancing Problems Frantic Fall Kindergarten of Shape Creatures Cupcake Tree
K-2-ETS 1-3	Analyze data from tests of two objects designed to solve the same problem to compare the strengths and weaknesses of how each performs.	Floating Problems Glue Lift It Up! Cave Conundrum Safe Landing Frantic Fall

Lesson recommendations

K.Interdependent Relationships in Ecosystems: Animals, Plants, and Their Environment

K-LS1-1	Use observations to describe patterns of what plants and animals (including humans) need to survive.	Flowery Business What Makes a Living Thing? Puppy Playtime From Seed to Plant Busy Bees Caring for a Pet Dog Beehive
K-ESS2- 2.	Construct an argument supported by evidence for how plants and animals (including humans) can change the environment to meet their needs.	What Makes a Living Thing? Egg-straordinary Nest Building The Great Inventors of the Secret Forest Habitat Hunting
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K.Weather and Climate & K-PS3-1 Energy

K-PS3-1	Make observations to determine the effect of sunlight on Earth's surface.	<u>Summer Sandcastles</u> <u>Spooky Shadows</u>
K-PS3-2	Use tools and materials to design and build a structure that will reduce the warming effect of sunlight on an area.	The Great Inventors of the Secret Forest