

the fear of eyes

Leamington Primary Science Organiser Year 6 Light – How do we see?



functions of the parts of the

Research the difference between light waves and other waves (e.g. sound

eye.

waves).

What I should already know	What I will learn How does light travel?	Important words to help me. (vocabulary)		Ideas for Scientific Enquiry Observation over time
* Different types of				
light sources e.g. the sun, a torch, light	Light travels as a wave. But unlike waves of water or sound waves, it does not need a medium to travel through. This means light can travel through	retina	a light-sensitive layer at the back of the eye. It is made up of rods and cones	Explore how light reflects/ refracts when it meets
* Dark is the absence of light	a vacuum – a completely airless space.	pupil	black part of the eye. This is an opening that lets light in	different surfaces.
* Light reflects from surfaces W Light from the sun can be dangerous lii	How do we see objects? We need light to be able to see things. Light waves travel out from sources of light in straight lines. These lines are often called rays or beams of light. Light from the sun travels in a straight line to hit the object. The light ray is then reflected off the object and travels in a straight line to the eye. What do shadows have the same shape as the object that casts them? A shadow is always the same shape as the object that casts it. This is because an opaque object is in the path of the light travelling from a light source, it will block the light rays that hit it, while the rest of the light can continue travelling. Shadows can also be elongated or shortened depending on the angle of the light source. A shadow is also larger when the object is closer to the light source. This is	optical nerve	Carries messages from the retina to the brain. The brain turns these into an image of what we are looking at	Pattern Seeking Explore how light behaves when placed at different distances from an object. Compare different light sources using scientific vocabulary such as manmade/ natural. Secondary Source Research who first discovered light moves in straight lines and explain how this discovery impacted
		cornea	the transparent layer forming the front of the eye	
your eyes • Shadows are		refraction	this is when light bends as it passes from one medium to another e.g. light bends when it moves from air into water	
formed when the		the law of reflection	the law states that the angle of the incident ray is equal to the angle of the reflect ray	
source is blocked		shadow	an area of darkness where light has been blocked	
Interesting Facts		transparent	describes objects that let light travel through them easily, meaning you can see through the object	
* Women blink		translucent	describes objects that let some light through, but scatters te light so we can't see through properly	
more		opaque	describes objects that do not let any light pass through them	
*The human eye can differentiate		absorb	take in or soak up (energy or a liquid or other substance)	
approximately 10	because it blocks more of the light.	block	make the movement or flow in (a passage, pipe, road, etc.) difficult or impossible	us today.
million different colours.	~ Q	light source	any device serving as a source of illumination	Explain why glasses can be needed for different
*Ommetophobia is	Morning Afternoon Sun	direction	a course along which someone or something moves	purposes based on the

