Course: Language Arts/Science/SEL	Grade Level: Kindergarten
	Length of Unit: To the end of the second trimester - Approximately 6 weeks

**Unit Summary:** Students will investigate the effects of different strengths or different directions of pushes and pulls on the motion of an object. Students will continue to build their understanding of the crosscutting concepts of patterns and the relationships between cause and effect. Students will use reading strategies (i.e. get your mouth ready and think what would make sense and looks like that) to read texts on the same topic to compare and contrast texts in order to deepen their understanding. Students will participate in a shared research writing project. Students will use the writing process and a combination of drawing, dictation and writing to compose informative/explanatory pieces to teach/inform others what they have learned as a result of shared research.

## SEL

Throughout this unit, students will be asked to <u>monitor their progress and self-assess</u> their ability to identify approaches to resolving conflicts constructively.

This unit points out where certain KIDS measures can be easily assessed; however, all 21 KIDS measures should be assessed three times a year.

Stage 1- Desired Results				
STANDARDS/KIDS	Transfer			
Priority: Science:	Students will be able to independently use their learning to			
K-PS2-1: Plan and conduct an investigation to compare the effects of different strengths or different directions of pushes and	TG1: Apply an understanding of the effects of different strengths or different directions of pushes and pulls in order to change the motion of an object.			
pulls on the motion of an object.	TG2: Read two texts on the same topic and identify the similarities and differences in order to better understand the topic.			
COG:SCI 3: Child develops the capacity to describe and record observations and investigations	TG3: Engage in shared research to find information on a topic and use a combination of drawing, dictation, and writing to compose an informative/explanatory text on this			

about objects (living and nonliving things) and events , and to share	topic.		
ideas and explanations with others.	Meaning		
Language Arts: K.RL/RI.9: With prompting and support, identify basic similarities	ENDURING UNDERSTANDINGS Students will understand that	ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS Students will continue to consider	
in and differences between two texts on the same topic (e.g., in illustrations, descriptions, or procedures).	<b>EU1:</b> There is a cause/effect relationship between force and motion; objects move the way they do because forces cause changes	EQ1: Why do things move the way they do?	
W.K.2: Use a combination of drawing, and writing to compose informative/explanatory texts in which they name what they are	in motion; (simple tests can be designed to gather evidence to support or refute student ideas about causes)		
writing about and supply some information about the topic.	<b>EU2:</b> Although texts may deal with the same topic, one author may choose to emphasize	<b>EQ2:</b> How does more than one source of information to help me better understand a tanie?	
W.K.7: Participate in shared research and writing projects.	or leave out key details that another author may decide to not emphasize or keep.	topic?	
S.L.K2: Confirm understanding of a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other	<b>E3:</b> Using the writing process can help inform an audience about a specific topic.	<b>EQ3:</b> How can we communicate information in writing? <i>Why do we share information</i> ?	
media by asking and answering questions about key details and requesting clarifications if	<b>EU4:</b> Respectful interactions contribute to resolving conflict.	<b>EQ4:</b> How can we identify and resolve conflicts with others?	
something is not understood.	Acquisition		
LLD 4: Child engages in back-and -forth communication that			
develops into increasingly extended conversations	Students will know	<u>Year-Long English/Spanish "I can"</u> <u>statements</u>	
LLD 6: Child develops capacity to understand details and ideas from	K1: Academic Vocabulary	Students will be skilled at	
age-appropriate text presented by adults.	Science K2: Pushes and pulls can have different	Science S1: With guidance, I can plan and conduct	

LLD 10 Child shows increasing	strengths and directions.	an investigation in collaboration with peers.
LLD 10 Child shows increasing ability to write using scribbles, marks, letters, characters, or words to represent meaning.	<b>K3:</b> Pushing or pulling on an object can change the speed or direction of its motion and can start or stop it.	<b>S2:</b> I can analyze data from tests of an object or tool to determine if it works as intended.
SEL: Goal 1: Develop self-awareness and self-management skills to achieve school and life success.	<b>K4:</b> When objects touch or collide, they push on one another and can change motion.	<b>S3:</b> I can analyze data from tests to compare the strengths and weaknesses of how each performs.
Goal 2: Use social-awareness and interpersonal skills to establish and maintain positive relationships.	<ul><li>K5: A bigger push or pull makes things speed up or slow down more quickly.</li><li>K6: Scientists use different ways to study the</li></ul>	Language Arts/Digital Literacy S4: I can identify similarities and differences between two texts dealing with the same topic.
Goal 3: Demonstrate decision-making skills and responsible behaviors in personal, school, and community contexts	world. <b>K7:</b> Engineering practices are used to solve problems where people want/need to change or create something. Such problems may	<b>S5:</b> I can confirm my understanding of a text or information presented by asking and answering questions about key details.
KIDS: ALT-REG 3: Child increasingly persits in understanding or mastering activities, even if they	have many acceptable solutions.	<ul> <li>S6: I can use a combination of drawing, writing, and speaking to compose an informative/explanatory text on a topic.</li> <li>I can name what I am writing about.</li> </ul>
are challenging or difficult. Supporting:	<b>K8:</b> Speaking, reading and writing are ways to communicate information	<ul> <li>I can supply information about the topic.</li> </ul>
Science: K-PS2-2: Analyze data to determine if a design solution works as intended to	<b>K9:</b> Reading foundational skills	<b>S7:</b> I can participate in shared research and writing projects.
change the speed or direction of an object with a push or a pull.	<ul><li>K10: Reading strategies</li><li>K11: The elements of</li></ul>	<b>S8:</b> I can learn basic navigation of some media platforms. (Info/Dig Lit Goal 1)
K-2-ETS1-3: Analyze data from tests of two objects designed to solve the same problem to compare the strengths and weaknesses of how	informative/explanatory writing <b>K12:</b> The writing process	<b>S9:</b> I can make connections between various text formats. (Info/Dig Lit Goal 2)
each performs.		

	K13: How to be a responsible digital citizen	S10: I can determine if my source relates to
K-EES2-1: Use and share observations of local weather		my topic. (Info/Dig Lit Goal 3)
conditions to describe patterns over time.	SEL K14: Not all people approach a problem in the same way	<b>S11:</b> I can use technology to share my ideas. (Info/Dig Lit Goal 4)
KIDS:		
COG:SCI 4: Child develops the capacity to understand objects (living and nonliving things) and events in the natural world, including how they	<b>K15:</b> There are different ways to resolve conflicts	SEL S12: I can work with others and use my words to tell what I want and how I feel.
change and their characteristics.		<b>S13:</b> I can identify problems and conflicts
COG:SCI 3: Child develops the capacity to describe and record		commonly experienced by my peers.
observations and investigations about (living and nonliving things) and events and to share ideas and explanations with others.		<b>S14:</b> I can identify approaches to resolving conflicts constructively.
LLD 3: Child's communication develops from non-verbal communication to using language with increasingly complex words and sentences.		
LLD 2: Child shows increasing ability to write using scribbles, marks, drawings, letters, characters, or words to represent meaning.		
ALT-REG 1: Child explores the environment in increasingly focused ways to learn about people, things, materials and events.		
ALT-REG 3: Child increasingly persists in understanding or mastering activities, even if they are challenging or difficult.		