Technology that Supports Instruction

Internet Resources:

- activities for kids to do on-line,
- access to other kids for collaborative research activities.
- unusual visual experiences in video and pictures,
- access to scientists/research sites.
- access to special tools like electron microscope,
- access to manipulable or 3-D models;
- background info for kids or teachers
- hands-on activities to print out
- teacher tools for planning and reflection

Equipment:

Overhead projectors for exploration with light, dissolving, veins of leaves,

waves, shadows,

Data-gathering probeware. Temperature, magnetic fields, motion, force, pH

Microscopes I&E starting in 2nd grade, cells, microorganisms

Projecting Microscopes

Variety of scales, weights physical properties k, 1st, 3rd, 5th, math skills

Thermometers physical properties 1st, 3rd, 5th grade

Barometer, rain gauge study of weather 1st and 5th

Projecting cameras

Computer projectors to explore websites together, see video

Petrie dishes, incubators to explore microorganisms, reproduction

Binoculars to explore lens, light 3rd, birds, bird habits 1st, 2nd, 4th

Seismograph to explore earth movements, earthquakes 4th, 6th

Van de Graff generators to explore static electricity 4th