Introduction of Things Around Us

Things around us can be divided into two groups: living and non-living. We are surrounded by living and non-living things.

Living things are alive; they have life in them. Non-living things do not have life in them.

• All animals and plants are living things and biology is the study of these living things.

A cat playing with a ball is obviously living. A pigeon flying from tree to tree is also a living thing. Plants are living things but they do not play with balls or fly.

Sand, wood and glass are all non-living things. Paper is non-living but it is made from trees. Jam is also non-living but it was made from the fruit of a plant.

• For something to be living, it has to show all of the characteristics of living things.

Everything in this would undergo a change. We observe many changes around us at home, in school, in play ground and at other places. The picture given below shows some of the changes that place around us everyday.

