



Geography Curriculum: Year 1

What are the aims and intentions of this curriculum?

That children:

- Have the opportunity to explore their immediate surroundings and appreciate that features can be man-made or from nature.
- Understand what a map is.

Term	Topic	Knowledge	Skills	Assessment
Autumn	What is my place like?	Know basic knowledge about their locality. Know basic locational knowledge about their home and school. Know the difference between human and physical features. Know some basic features of the weather.	Sort (features) Observe (weather) Use a simple picture maps Use relative vocabulary (bigger/smaller, like/dislike) Use directional language (such as near and far, up and down, left and right, forwards and backwards)	
		Vocabulary: school, home, buildings, location, address, land, village, house, land use, town, city		
Field work: Using school grounds and plan of school to read and draw simple maps (gather information)				
Spring	What can I find in my corner of the world?	Know some human and physical features of the locality. Know locational and directional language. Know how people use our local area. Know the effect people have on a place.	Use (locational & directional language) Describe Collect (information) Draw basic maps (including appropriate symbols and pictures to represent places or features). Use photographs and maps to identify features	
		Vocabulary: near/far/left/right, locality, weather, plants, soil, village, house, office, shop, farm.		
Fieldwork: Comparing Bishop (town) to Toft Hill (village) - gather information / sketch				



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Summer	What is our country like?	Know the 4 countries that make up the UK. Know the capital cities of each of the countries. Know the names of the seas surrounding the UK. Know the key characteristics of the 4 countries of the UK. Know some of the daily weather patterns in the UK. Know that weather is a physical process.	Use world maps to identify the UK Locate the four countries and capital cities of UK and its surrounding seas List countries that make up the UK Recall capital cities, names of seas	
		Vocabulary: Earth, ocean, sea, land, continent, island, United Kingdom, Wales, Ireland, Scotland, England, Northern Ireland, Capital city, London, Edinburgh, Cardiff, Belfast, North Sea, Atlantic Ocean, The Channel, Irish sea, direction, North, South, East, West, forest, hill, river, weather, city, coasts, country, settlement.		
Fieldwork:				