

Geography Knowledge and Skills Progression Document

Key Area	EYFS	Year 1 and 2	Year 3 and 4	Year 5 and 6
Key Area Geographical skills and fieldwork	EYFS Know that there is land and sea. Draw information from a simple map. Discuss routes and locations, using words like 'in front of' and 'behind'	Year 1 and 2 Identify the UK and its countries on a map, atlas, globe or aerial photograph. Identify the continents and oceans of the world on a map, atlas, globe or aerial photograph. Know that a map has a key with basic symbols. Use basic symbols to represent features on a map. Use a map to show locations of features and routes. Devise a simple map that can be used by others. Know that a compass can be used for directions and know the four main	Year 3 and 4 Know the eight points of a compass. Use 4-figure grid references to pinpoint location. Use maps and globes to locate countries and cities and describe some of their features (human and physical). Know that there are symbols and keys on a map. Use these to plan routes, locate features (Orienteering course). Use fieldwork to observe, measure, record and present the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital technologies.	Vear 5 and 6 Use 6-figure grid references to pinpoint location. Use an Ordnance survey map to build knowledge of a local area. Use different sources to locate locations/countries, including digital/computer mapping, GPS. Know that a combination of the appropriate types of fieldwork can support specific enquiry. Know that different types of fieldwork are useful to find different types of information, (sketch maps and plans). Can use maps/ virtual data to compare topographical features locally to that of a contrasting region of the UK.
		others. Know that a compass can be used for directions and know the four main compass directions (N,E,S,W). Use aerial photographs and plan perspectives to identify human and	physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital	useful to find different types of information, (sketch maps and plans). Can use maps/ virtual data to compare topographical features locally to that of a
		physical features and landmarks. Use orienteering posts to read simple maps, understand locational language and		

Place and	Know that we live in	follow compass points in the immediate locality of school. Use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of the school and its grounds. Use atlases and maps to identify the four	Know that there are several countries in	Know the countries and cities in North
locational	England, UK. Know that a map represents different places. Know that there are different countries in the world and talk about the differences they have experienced or seen in photos. Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps.	countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom (and the surrounding seas). Describe similarities and differences between the UK and a non-European country. Use a world map and globe to locate the world's seven continents and five oceans. Draw a simple map of the village, identifying key physical and human features. Can compare own geographical location (Farnsfield) to an alternative non-EU location.	Europe. (Mainland Europe) Know that there are principal cities in Europe. Describe the geographic similarities and differences between the Uk and a region in a European country. (Northern Europe) Name and locate counties and cities of the United Kingdom, geographical regions and their identifying human and physical characteristics, key topographical features (including hills, mountains, coasts and rivers), and land-use patterns; and understand how some of these aspects have changed over time. Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom. (Castleton residential).	Describe the geographic similarities and differences between the UK and a region in North America. Know that countries in North America have environmental regions and physical and human characteristics. Know the countries and cities in South America. Describe the geographic similarities and differences between regions in South America. Know that countries in South America have environmental regions and physical and human characteristics. Identify the position and significance of longitude and latitude, the Greenwich Meridian, Equator, Northern and Southern hemispheres, Arctic and Antarctic circles and the tropics. Explain how geographical features of the UK have changed over time. Understand how borders of some countries have been altered by historic events (e.g. the border of Germany as a result of WW1/2).
Human and	Know that there are	Know that there are key human and	Explain the effect that plate tectonics	Know the distribution of natural resources

physical geography	different types of weather and it is	physical features.	and the ring of fire have on physical geography (Volcano and Earthquakes).	including energy, food, minerals and water.
	linked to the	Know that the equator, North and South		Describe and understand key aspects of
	seasons.	Poles exist and their locations.	Describe and understand key aspects of the water cycle.	economic activity and trade links in relation to human geography.
	Recognise some	Locate areas and countries which are hot		
	similarities and differences between	and cold around the world.	Know that there are different types of settlements and land uses.	Know that physical geography includes climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts.
	life in this country	Talk about different types of settlement.		
	and life in other		Describe the features of a mountain and	Describe and understand key aspects of
	countries.	Communicate seasonal changes in weather patterns throughout the year, in	how they are formed.	coastal regions and the impact on physical and human geography.
	Recognise some environments that	the UK and in the world.	Identify the features of a river.	
	are different to the one in which they live.		Know the distribution of natural resources and their impact on economic activity (Castleton residential).	