



		Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Investigating places	Using maps including types.	 Help children to find out about the environment by talking to people, examining photographs and simple maps and visiting local places. Represent land and sea through small world play. 	 Use picture maps and globes. Use a simple picture map to move around the school. Recognise that it is about a place. 	 Find land/ sea on a globe. Use teacher-based drawn maps, OS maps and infant atlases. Follow a route on a map. Use an infant atlas to locate places. 	 Use large scaled OS maps, Digimaps (online) and atlases. Follow a map with some accuracy. Begin to identify features on aerial photographs. 	 Use large and medium scaled OS maps, Digimaps (online) and atlases. Follow a route on a large-scale map. Identify features on aerial photographs. 	 Use index and contents pages within atlases, medium scale OS maps and Digimaps (online). Compare maps with aerial photographs. Select a map for a specific purpose (Atlas for Marina Trench, OS map for Clarborough). Begin to use atlas to find other features of places; e.g. wettest spot in the world. 	 Use OS maps and confidently use atlases. Recognise a world map as a flattened globe. Follow a short OS route and describe the features shown. Locate places on a world map. Use atlases to find out about other features of places; e.g. mountain ranges, weather patterns.
In	Location and Place knowledge	 Observe, find out about and identify features in the place they live and in the natural world. Talk about the changes they see; including plants and animals. 	 Learn names of the UK's 4 countries and capital cities; England- London, Northern Ireland-Belfast, Scotland-Edinburgh, Wales-Cardiff. Name and locate the world's five Oceans. 	 Locate and name on a UK map major characteristic; London, River Thames, Retford, Seas. Name and locate the world's seven continents. 	 Begin to identify points on a map A, B, C. Name and locate Europe, the Americas (North and South) and the Equator on a map. Recognise similarities and differences in the UK and South America. Locate the Equator and the different regions. Noting locations. 	 Begin to identify significant places and environments. Begin to name and locate countries and major cities of Europe. Recognise similarities and differences in Europe. Begin to locate the tropics. 	 Identify significant places and environments. Name and locate the world's countries, Seas and Oceans on a larger scale map. Locate the tropics and make links to locations. 	 Confidently identify significant places and environments. Identify; Equator, Northern and Southern Hemisphere, Tropics and Circles on a map and make links to locations.





SI		• Identify seasonal patterns	• Identify seasonal and	• Location of hot and cold	• Describe and understand	• Describe and	• Recognise and describe	• Describe and understand
	a	- focusing on plants and	daily weather patterns.	countries in the world, the	key physical aspects of	understand key	key physical aspects of	key physical aspects of
	knowledge	animals.	 Location of hot and 	Equator and North and	climate, rivers,	physical aspects of	Rivers, Mountains and	climate zones, biomes,
	vle	• Talk about the	cold countries in the	South Poles.	earthquakes and	climate zones and	the water cycle.	vegetation belts.
eri	vot	similarities and	world.	 Study of these regions in 	volcanoes.	mountains.	 Recognise and describe 	 Describe and
att		differences between them	• Compare 1 hot and 1	their basic form (linked to	 Describe and understand 	 Describe and 	the key human aspects	understand key human
Investigating patterns	cal	and their friends and well	cold country.	climate change); Rainforest	key human aspects of	understand key human	of the distribution of	aspects of types of
	ysi	as looking at photos of		- deforestation, Polar	settlements.	aspects of settlements,	natural resources	settlement and land use,
gat	Ρh	children and places		Regions - melting sea ice,	 Study of South America 	land use and trade	including energy and	economic activity
stig	and Physical	around the world.		Oceans and seas – plastic	e.g. the Amazon;	links.	pollution.	including trade links,
ve	1 a	• Help children to notice		pollution, Changing	rainforest, river,	• Study and locate the	• Study and locate the	and the distribution of
Π	nai	and discuss patterns		weather – flooding	settlement.	world's Oceans	world's Seas and	natural resources
	Human	around them, e.g.		and storms.	• Comparison of a place in	including Pacific	Oceans including	including energy, food,
	I	rubbings from grates,		• Compare Retford to a non-	the UK to a place in	Vortex.	location and Marina	minerals and water.
		covers, or bricks.		European country.	Europe.		Trench.	
		Encourage children to	• Teacher led enquiries;	Children encouraged to	• Begin to ask/ initiate	 Ask and respond to 	Begin to suggest	 Suggest questions for
		express opinions on	ask and respond to	ask simple geographical	geographical questions.	questions and offer	questions for	investigating
		natural and built	simple closed	questions; Where is it?	• Use Non-fiction books.	their own ideas.	investigation.	Use Primary and
Ŷ		environments.	questions.	What's it like?	stories, atlases,	 Extend sources of 	 Begin to use Primary 	Secondary sources for
all		 Teacher offering different 	Use information	 Use Non-fiction books. 	pictures/photos and	information to satellite	and Secondary sources	evidence.
hic	ry	points of view on the	books/pictures as a	stories, maps,	internet as sources of	images and aerial	of evidence.	• Investigate places on a
ap	enquiry	quality of the	source of information.	pictures/photos and	information.	photos.	 Investigate places on a 	 Investigate places on a larger scale;
ıgı	en	environment; 'What if'		internet as sources of		1	0 1	
ge(cal	'How can we'	Investigate their	information.	 Investigate places and themas 	 Investigate places and themes 	larger scale; contrasting	contrasting and distant
te	hid	 Offer ideas on their likes 	surroundings.		themes.	themes.	and distant places.	places.
ica	rap		 Make observations 	• Investigate their	• Analyse evidence and	• Collect and record	Collect and record	Collect and record
Communicate geographically	Geographical	and dislikes.	about where things are	surroundings.	draw conclusions e.g.	evidence with some	evidence unaided.	evidence unaided.
uu	Ğ	• Begin to compare places;	e.g. in school or local	Make observations about	making comparisons	support.	• Analyse evidence and	• Analyse evidence and
uo		e.g. park to a house.	area.	why things happen.	between two	Analyse evidence and	draw conclusions;	draw conclusions;
C				Make simple comparisons	temperatures in different	draw conclusions e.g.	temperature of various	temperature of various
				between features of	locations.	make comparisons	locations and the	locations, look at
				different places.		between locations	influences on	patterns and explain
						using maps/ photos.	people/everyday life.	the reasons behind it.





Communicating geographically	Direction, Scale and distance	 Explore their local environment. Follow one step positional direction; stand up, sit down, under the table, on the chair. Use language; big, small. 	 Follow directions; Up, down, left, right, forwards, backwards. Use relative vocabulary; bigger, smaller, like, dislike. 	 Follow directions; Up, down, left, right, forwards, backwards, North, East, South, West. Begin to spatially match places; recognise the UK on a small and large map. 	 Use 4 compass points to follow and give direction. Use letter and number coordinates to locate features on a map. Begin to match boundaries. 	 Use 4 compass points well. Begin to use 8 compass points. Use letter and number coordinates to locate features on a map. Begin to match boundaries. 	 Use 8 compass points. Begin to use 4 figure coordinates to locate features on a map. Measure straight line distance on a plan. Find and recognise places on maps of different scales. 	 Use 8 compass points accurately. Use 4 figure coordinates to locate features on a map. Begin to use 6 figure grid references: use latitude, longitude and equator on atlas maps. Use a scale to measure distances. Draw/use maps and plans at a range of scales.
	Drawing maps including symbols.	 Begin to make marks to represent homes and trees. Begin to make marks to represent journeys; cars on a mat. 	 Draw picture maps from imagination and stories. Draw around an object to make a plan. Use own symbols. 	 Draw a map. Look down on objects to make a plan view map. Add detail to a sketch map from an aerial photo. Begin to understand the need for a key. Use class agreed symbols to make a simple key. 	 Try to make a map of a short route with ordered features. Begin to draw a sketch map from a high viewpoint. Try to make a simple scaled drawing. Know why a key is needed. Use standard symbols. 	 Try to make a map of a short route with ordered features. Draw a sketch map from a high viewpoint. Make simple scaled drawings. Know why a key is needed. Begin to recognise symbols on an OS map. 	 Begin to draw a variety of thematic maps based on their own data. Draw a plan view map with accuracy. Draw a sketch map using symbols and a key. Use/recognised OS map symbols. 	 Draw a variety of thematic maps based on their own data. Draw a plan view map accurately. Begin to draw plans of increasing complexity. Use and recognised OS map symbols. Use Atlas symbols.





Communicating geographically	Key Vocabulary	Town, village, road, path, house, flat, school, shop, church, walk, drive, car, aeroplane, bus, train, busy, quiet, pollution, hot, cold, wet, dry, rain, sun, tree, sky, grass, beach, forest.	North, South, East and West, Environment. Physical: beach, coast, forest, mountain, sea, river, season: weather. Human: city, town, village, factory, farm, house, shop, animal.	Environment, endangered, continent, pollution, ocean, Climate change, habitat, sustainability, recycling, fossil fuels, atmosphere, greenhouse gases, drought, polar regions, energy, global warming.	Environment, continent, habitat, endangered, polluti on, climate change, recycling, sustainability, ecosystem, country, deforestation, biodegradable, conservation, global warming, renewable energy, species, polar regions, tropical regions, temperate regions, equator, longitude, latitude, Amazon, North/ South America.	Environment, continent, ocean, habitat, endangered, pollution, climate change, recycling, sustainability, deforestation, biodegradable, plantation, extinction, species, population, adaptation, atmosphere, conservation, predator, threat, prey, vulnerable, critically, waste, contaminate.	Environment, continent, ocean, habitat, ecosystem, food chain, pollution, climate change, recycling, sustainability, biodegradable, atmosphere, waste, plastic, greenhouse gases, biomes, countries, Marina Trench.	Environment, continent, ocean, habitat, endangered, pollution, climate change, recycling, sustainability, deforestation, biodiversity, management, greenhouse gases, ozone layer, adaptation, interdependence, ecosystems, biomes, consumers, decomposers, tundra, polar, tropical, economic activity, latitude, longitude, equator, hemispheres
	K				South America.			economic activity,
								classification, evolution, adapted.