

#### **Threads**

Through our geography curriculum, we have identified key threads that run throughout our units, revisited each time in increasing depth. Whilst ensuring the children's learning is cohesive, they provide opportunities for the children to broaden their knowledge and further develop their skills in enquiry.

Connections

The interaction between human and physical processes (e.g. urbanisation, industrialisation, migration); interconnection of physical features; interconnectivity between people and places; trade: interconnection of various countries.



Climate awareness, global responsibility and sustainability: the interaction between human activity and the environment.



Exploration of our own locality using first-hand observation: reflecting on both the human and physical geography, changes over time and the interaction between human and physical processes (e.g. urbanisation, industrialisation, migration).

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# Understanding of the World Educational Programme

Understanding the world involves guiding children to make sense of their physical world and their community. The frequency and range of children's personal experiences increases their knowledge and sense of the world around them – from visiting parks, libraries and museums to meeting important members of society, such as police officers, nurses and firefighters. In addition, listening to a broad selection of stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems will foster their understanding of our culturally, socially, technologically and ecologically diverse world. As well as building important knowledge, this extends their familiarity with words that support understanding across domains. Enriching and widening children's vocabulary will support later reading comprehension.

# Nursery

Unit	All About Me	A Taste of the World	The Farm	Fairy tales	Mini-Beasts	Changes
Birth to Five	Comments and	Comments and asks	Comments and asks	Comments and asks	Comments and asks	Shows care and concern
Matters	asks questions	questions about the	questions about the	questions about the	questions about the	for living things and the
	about the aspects	aspects of their familiar	aspects of their familiar	aspects of their familiar	aspects of their familiar	environment
	of their familiar	world such as the place	world such as the place	world such as the place	world such as the place	
	world such as the	where they live and the	where they live and the	where they live and the	where they live and the	Developing an
	place where they	natural world.	natural world.	natural world.	natural world.	understanding of growth,
	live and the					decay and changes over
	natural world.	Developing an	Shows care and concern	Developing an	Shows care and concern	time.
		understanding of	for living things and the	understanding of growth,	for living things and the	
	Developing an	growth, decay and	environment	decay and changes over	environment	Begin to understand
	understanding of	changes over time.		time.		the effect their
	growth, decay and		Developing an		Developing an	behaviour can have on
	changes over	Begin to understand	understanding of growth,	Begin to understand	understanding of growth,	the environment
	time.	the effect their	decay and changes over	the effect their	decay and changes over	
		behaviour can have	time.	behaviour can have on	time.	
	Begin to	on the environment		the environment		
	understand the				Begin to understand	
	effect their				the effect their	
	behaviour can				behaviour can have on	
	have on the				the environment	
	environment					
Overview	In this unit, the	In this unit, the	In this unit, as part of	In this unit, the children	In this unit, whilst	In this unit, through the
	children will	children will begin to	their topic looking at	will explore various	exploring different types	narratives, The Koala
	begin by	explore their diverse	farm animals and how	settings and fictional	of mini beasts, through	Who Could and Neon
	exploring their	cultures by looking at	they are taken care of,	landscapes through	play, narratives,	Leon, the children will
	immediate	photographs, objects	the children will	traditional tales such as,	fieldwork and	continue to reflect upon
	environment and	and food that reflects	examine the basic	We're Going on a Bear	observation the children	the importance of
	learn about	where their families	layout of a farm: the	Hunt, The Three Billy	will investigate the	natural surroundings,

different places	are from, including	different areas (fields,	Goats Gruff and	diverse habitats in	habitats of living things
in their local	those from other	barn and farmhouse)	Goldilocks and the Three	which minibeasts live,	and the environment.
area. They will	countries and	and how this looks	Bears.	from local parks, to	They will comment and
begin to reflect	cultures. The unit is	within the surrounding	This topic fosters an	gardens, playgrounds	ask questions about the
on changes over	taught through	landscape. They will	appreciation of the	and ponds.	human impact on their
time and how	narratives, where	also learn about where	geographical aspects		familiar world, such as
their behaviour	texts are used to	food comes from, e.g.	that surround us. The	Through observation	the importance of
can affect their	examine countries	milk comes from cows	children will reinforce	and age-appropriate	planting trees,
locality, e.g.,	and cultures different	who live on farms. This	this with their own	activities, the children	constructing buildings
dropping litter	from their own.	learning will be taught	Spring Walk around	will learn about the	and how these actions
and protecting	The children will also	through various	their local environment,	behaviour of bees, their	affect the landscape.
the wildlife in	begin to consider	narratives and is	which includes an initial	positive impact on the	They will discuss various
their surrounding	where food comes	reinforced with a trip to	exploration of the	environment and how	natural events, such as
area.	from, how it's grown	a local farm.	habitats of various living	we can create safe and	rainbows,
	and the importance of	Text: Farmer Duck.	things. Their route is	suitable environments	thunderstorms and rain
	taking care of their		recorded with	for bees to thrive.	showers to help the
	environment.		photographs of		children understand the
			landmarks which they		natural phenomena and
			reflect upon on their		changes that occur in
			return to school.		their natural
					environment.

	Reception					
Unit	My story, Our World	Space	Under the Sea	Story Telling	Growing	Dinosaurs
Birth to Five	Draw informati	on from a simple map.				
Matters	Recognise some	e similarities and differ	ences between life in this c	country and life in other cou	untries.	
	<ul> <li>Explore the nat</li> </ul>	ural world around the	m.			
	Recognise some	e environments that ar	e different to the one in wh	nich they live.		
	<ul> <li>Understand the</li> </ul>	e effect of changing sea	asons on the natural world	around them.		
ELG	People, Cultures and Co					
	Describe their i	mmediate environmer	nt using knowledge from ob	servation, discussion, stori	es, non-fiction texts and ma	aps.
			ces between life in this cou			·
	· ·	n appropriate) maps		,	, 0	,
	The Natural World	, ,				
	Know some sim	nilarities and difference	es between the natural wor	ld around them and contra	sting environments, drawir	ng on their experiences
		een read in class.			,	
	<ul> <li>Understand sor</li> </ul>	ne important processe	es and changes in the natura	al world around them, inclu	iding the seasons and chan	ging states of matter.
Overview	In this unit the	In this unit, the	In this unit, through	In this unit, the children	In this unit, as part of	In this unit, the children
	children learn about	children will	texts such as, The Snail	will use various	their learning about	will draw a simple map
	themselves and their	describe their	and the Whale, the	narratives to develop	growing and life cycles,	to illustrate the journey
	place in the world,	immediate	children are introduced	their understanding of	the children will	of a fictional character
	drawing upon their	environment	to the terms	different environments	continue to explore the	linked to their learning
	own lives, families,	through	'continents' and	(settings), natural and	natural world around	about dinosaurs. They
	communities and	observations and	'oceans'. As a class,	urban, and the	them, the impact of	will include key
	cultures.	discussion. They	using simple maps, they	vocabulary used to	climate on developing	landmarks and use
	They will follow a	will discuss the	will explore various	describe them. Through	ecosystems and how	positional language to
	simple map,	physical features	countries found in the	text, We're Going on a	each element is	describe their maps.
	identifying key	needed for human	seven continents, such	Lion Hunt, the children	interlinked. The children	Through various texts,
	landmarks they	life to exist,	as Australia and	will use a simple world	will then make	the children will
	passed whilst	drawing	Canada, reflecting on	map to locate Africa	comparisons to natural	continue to develop
	exploring their local	comparisons with	their physical and	and the country	environments in other	their understanding of
	area, using images to	contrasting	human features. This	Tanzania and begin to	localities. The children	physical features by
	recreate the route as	environments	will support the	make comparisons to	are introduced to terms	identifying those found
	a class. The children	found on different	children in the	the UK, using the map,	such as, temperature,	in different settings.
	will share their	planets. Building	development of their	images and	climate, and	This is reinforced when
	knowledge about the	upon their	understanding of scale,	photographs.	environment.	creating their own 3D
	countries and cultures	understanding of	when making	Building upon their		maps. Towards the end
	within their own	the different	comparisons to maps	understanding of the		of the unit, the children

families, r	nake	seasons, the	used in previous	different seasons, the	will discuss the natural
compariso	ns between	children will	learning (e.g. school	children will examine,	phenomena that led to
them and	their own	examine, 'Winter'	grounds and local area).	'Spring' and some of the	the extinction of a
locality, a	nd begin to	and some of the	As the topic progresses,	important processes	species and the impact
look at ma	apping	important	the children will	and changes in the	this had on the natural
resources	, e.g. simple	processes and	broaden their locational	natural world around	world. Comparisons will
atlases an	d globes.	changes in the	and place knowledge,	them.	then be made to current
Througho	ut the half	natural world	and will be able to		natural processes, such
term, the	children will	around them. The	make simple		as climate change and
also explo	re the	children will begin	comparisons. As part of		the impact human
season 'A	utumn' and	to connect the	this unit the children		activity is having on the
some of the	ne important	Earth's orbit to the	will also reflect upon		natural world. This will
processes	and	changing of	the impact of various		be explored more
changes in	n the natural	seasons.	human activities on the		deeply in future
world aro	und them.		natural world, e.g.		learning.
			littering and plastic		
			pollution.		1

# EYFS to KS1 and KS2.

By the end of reception, the children will be able to identify and describe some features in their local environment, e.g., home, school or shops. They will be able to talk about their local environment and use pictures, photos and simple maps to locate places within it. The children will have visited different parts of the local community, such as local parks, gardens, libraries and shops. They will be able to discuss different places in their locality and consider similarities and differences, e.g., community garden and local park. They will have looked at similarities and differences between life in this country and others through stories, non-fiction texts and by comparing the experiences of their own families. They will be able to create simple maps, plans and images of known and imaginary landscapes. They will begin to use both positional and simple geographical language (e.g., country, continent, weather and climate), including simple language to describe both physical (e.g., river, season, weather, sea) and human (e.g., city, roads, town) features. They will have explored the four seasons and discussed changes in the natural world around them. As the children progress to KS1 and KS2, they will build upon their learning in early years. They will continue to develop their place and locational knowledge at different scales, exploring their own locality (e.g., Explorers – Y1 and Conservation and My Local Area – Y3), the UK (e.g., The Seaside – Y2, 2, Rivers - Y4 and The UK – Y5) and the wider world (e.g., Hot and Cold Places: Kenya – Y2, Climate Zones and Biomes: South America – Y3 and Europe – Y6). Each year, they will continue to develop their geographical skills and conduct fieldwork with growing skill and independence (e.g., Explorers – Y1, The Seaside – Y2 and Rivers – Y4). They will deepen their understanding of weather, climate and climate change and explore the Earth's physical and human processes, identifying ways in which they interconnect and determine key human and geographical features.

## KS1

Pupils should develop knowledge about the world, the United Kingdom and their locality. They should understand basic subject-specific vocabulary relating to human and physical geography and begin to use geographical skills, including first-hand observation, to enhance their locational awareness.

#### Year 1

Long term project: Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom.

	roject: Identify seasonal and daily weather patte	j		
Unit	Explorers – Our Local Area	Looking After Our World – Polar Regions	Looking After Our World – The Amazon	
National	Use simple fieldwork and observational skills to		orld in relation to the Equator and the North and South	
Curriculum	study the geography of their school and its grounds	Poles. To know the four compass points NSEW.		
	and the key human and physical features of its		propriate vocabulary e.g. temperature, rain, wind and	
	surrounding environment.	sunshine). Describe how the weather can change during the day or what it is likely to be like at different		
	Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key	times of the year (in my locality/at another place I h	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	human and physical features.	human geography of a distant place. EG the arctic/t		
	Use aerial photographs and plan perspectives to	'weather' and 'climate' Know that trees help to coo		
	recognise landmarks and basic human and physical	1 .	ate on some animals, plants and environments both in	
	features; devise a simple map; and use and	1	impacts of our changing climate on people, both in our	
	construct basic symbols in a key.	locality and elsewhere		
Overview	In this unit, the children will explore where they	In this unit, the children will continue on from	In this unit, the children will begin with a sensory	
	live, beginning with their immediate locality and	their Explorers topic. They will go on a journey	adventure: tasting, smelling and discussing foods	
	spreading out, reflecting on their place in the	of discovery to the north and south poles,	from another part of the world, the Amazon in South	
	wider world. The children will recap and extend	starting with an introduction to Captain Scott	America. Using previous learning, along various	
	previous learning about themselves before	and his famous polar expedition. The children	resources, and mapping tools, the children will	
	talking about where they live and what they see	will use various mapping resources to locate the	develop their locational and place knowledge by	
	in their locality. They will draw information from	polar regions. They will discuss weather	learning about the Amazon and the Amazon	
	their own experiences and a number of other	patterns, its climate and its human and physical	rainforest. They will explore its human and physical	
	sources: photos, videos and simple maps. The	features, using basic geographical vocabulary.	features, weather patterns and climate, before going	
	children will begin to explore the UK and name	After completing their research, the children	on to compare the life of children who live in the	
	the four countries and capital cities, including the	will go on to make comparisons between the	Amazon with that of their own. Following on from all	
	one in which they live. They will be introduced to	polar regions and the UK, drawing on their	of their research, the children will learn about	
	the term, 'continent', focusing on Europe as the	learning from the previous unit. Over the last	deforestation and its impact on the world. They will	
	continent in which they live and look at	couple of lessons, the children will be	discuss the part we play in this and ways in which we	
	significant people and events in history linked to	introduced to the term, 'climate change' and	all could help.	
	exploration. Over the last couple of lessons, the	discuss the changes that are occurring in the		
	children will learn how to create a simple map of	Antarctic and explore the connection between		
	their local area before conducting some	human activity and this environmental concern.		
	fieldwork as a class so they are able to add to	,		
	their map.			

Skills	To use aerial photographs and maps to identify physical and human features of their locality; to draw a simple map with a basic key showing landmarks; to describe their locality using appropriate vocabulary; to ask and answer questions.	To use maps, globes, atlases and aerial photographs to recognise features; to describe a locality using appropriate vocabulary; to ask and answer questions.	To use maps, globes, atlases and aerial photographs to recognise features; to describe a locality using appropriate vocabulary; to ask and answer questions.			
Threads	Fieldwork and Community	Sustainability Connections  Sustainability Connections	Sustainability Connections  Connections			
	Year 2					

Unit	Continents and Oceans: Pirates	Hot and Cold Places: Kenya	The Seaside
National	Name and locate the world's seven	Identify the location of hot and cold areas of the world	Name, locate and identify characteristics of the four
Curriculum	continents and five oceans.	in relation to the Equator and the North and South	countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom
	Use world maps, atlases and globes to	Poles.	and its surrounding seas. Use simple compass
	identify the United Kingdom and its	Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the	directions and locational and directional language to
	countries, as well as the countries,	countries studied at this key stage.	describe the location of features and routes on a
	continents and oceans studied at this key	Understand geographical similarities and differences	map Use aerial photographs and plan perspectives
	stage.	through studying the human and physical geography	to recognise landmarks and basic human and
		of a small area of the United Kingdom, and of a small	physical features; devise a simple map; and use and
		area in a contrasting non-European country	construct basic symbols in a key
Overview	Enquiry Question: Which key locations,	<b>Enquiry Question</b> : What makes life in Kenya different	<b>Enquiry Question</b> : How have coastal towns in the UK
	will I need to pass to get to my treasure	to ours in the UK?	changed (human and physical geography) over time?
	island?		
		In this unit, the children will broaden their place and	In this unit, the children will continue to develop
	At the start of Year 2, the children use this	locational knowledge by exploring the continent of	their locational knowledge by revisiting the UK,
	fun and engaging topic to gain a better	Africa and in particular the country, Kenya. They will	recapping and extending their knowledge about its
	understanding of the UK, the wider world	be able to draw information from a number of	four countries, their capital cities and the
	and its surrounding seas. They will begin	sources: world maps and atlases, including digital,	surrounding seas. The children will use various
	the unit with a discovery – a message in a	globes, aerial photographs, various texts and online	resources, including aerial photographs, atlases,
	bottle! Following this mysterious message,	resources, including from their own lives and those of	maps, digital maps and photographs to locate and
	the children will set out on a journey from	friends and family.	investigate various seaside resorts in the UK, to
	the UK (Dover), travelling across seas and	The children will revisit their prior learning on the	compare and contrast. The children will reflect upon
	continents to find some treasure. The	seven continents and five oceans, focusing on the	how certain seaside resorts and towns have changed
	children will learn about the UK, its four	continent of Africa and locate Kenya on a map. Over	over time, in terms of both their human and physical

	countries and surrounding oceans and the world's seven continents and five oceans, they will create a simple treasure map and use simple compass directions and directional language to describe the location of the continents and oceans and the treasure.	the next few lessons the children will begin to build a deeper understanding of this wonderful country, looking at the human and physical characteristics that define it. They will then go on to compare and contrast an area of southern Kenya with one in the UK looking at the human and physical geography of both, (including references to climate and biomes), ultimately gaining a better understanding of what life is like in Kenya compared to life in the UK.	features and begin to consider how one might have affected the other. They will then go on to investigate one seaside town in the UK. They will explore both its human and physical features, initially by using a variety of resources and mapping tools and then go on to conduct fieldwork for a real-life insight into the area, eventually making comparisons with their own locality.
Skills	To use various mapping resources and aerial images to locate and describe a locality and what surrounds it. To use and read simple symbols on a map to find out about a place. To use basic geographical vocabulary to describe human and physical features.	To use various mapping resources and aerial images to locate and describe a locality and what surrounds it. To use and read simple symbols on a map to find out about a place. To use basic geographical vocabulary to describe human and physical features.	To use a UK wall map or atlas to locate and identify the four countries and capital cities in the UK and its surrounding seas; to use aerial photographs to help describe what a place is like and locate key features; to investigate a locality through fieldwork and collect data to help describe and compare.
Threads	Connections	Connections	Fieldwork and Community Connections

# KS2

Pupils should extend their knowledge and understanding beyond the local area to include the United Kingdom and Europe, North and South America. This will include the location and characteristics of a range of the world's most significant human and physical features. They should develop their use of geographical knowledge, understanding and skills to enhance their locational and place knowledge.

# Year 3

Unit	Mountains and Volcanoes  Describe and understand key aspects of: physical	Conservation and My Local Area Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate	Climate Zones and Biomes: South America Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping
National Curriculum	geography, including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts, rivers, <b>mountains, volcanoes</b> and earthquakes, and the water cycle. Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom, a region in a European country.	and describe features studied.  Begin to use the eight points of a compass, four and six-figure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps) to build their knowledge of the United Kingdom and the wider world.  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.	to locate countries and describe features studied. Describe key aspects of human and physical geography. Identify the position and significance of latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic Circle, the Prime/Greenwich Meridian and time zones (including day and night).  Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography

Overview	Enquiry Question: What are Mountains and Volcanoes and how are they different?  In this unit, the children will begin by using a variety of mapping tools, including digital to locate and investigate the world's tallest mountain, Mount Everest. The children will deepen their geographical knowledge and skills to identify the key features of a mountain and its surrounding area.  They will then go on the locate and investigate a mountain in the UK and begin to draw comparisons, considering topographical features, types of vegetation and human activity. The children will then move on to investigate volcanoes, using various mapping tools, aerial photographs and other resources. They will be able to identify the key features of a volcano and the different types; locate and describe well known volcanoes; explain how volcanoes are formed and the changes that occur during this process. The children will conclude this topic with a case study into the real-life events in La Palma, Spain, where a volcano erupted in 2021.	Enquiry Question: Comparative study: How has human activity affected the human and physical features of an area and its environmental concerns?  In this unit, the children will begin with an overall look at the UK, revisiting prior learning and extending. They will identify the major urban areas of the UK using various mapping tools and locate where they live. This will be the focus of their enquiry. The children will then investigate their locality. They will look at historical and contemporary photographs, the internet, posters, flyers, aerial photographs and both digital and hard copy mapping resources, including OS maps (past and present) to conduct a thorough initial investigation into their local area, Kennington. They will then plan and carry out fieldwork, gaining a real-life understanding of its land use and infrastructure: facilities, transport, green areas and homes. After analysing all of the data they have collected, the children will then identify a conservation focus, through which they will carry out a second piece of fieldwork to investigate the concern and its impact. Over the next couple of lessons, the children will continue to investigate: observe, measure, record and present the information about another locality to compare and contrast. As part of their learning journey, the children will reflect on possible solutions to the environmental concerns raised about their local area in order to share their ideas with their local MP.	Enquiry Question: Enquiry Question: How does geographical location impact a country's environment?  In this unit, the children will continue their journey around the world and learn about the continent, South America. Using various mapping resources, they will explore the countries and cities of this continent and investigate the various physical and human features they come across. They will build upon their previous learning about hot and cold places and investigate the different climate zones and biomes within South America, making comparisons between different locations within South America and to the UK. They will also discuss the impact human activity has had on the physical geography of this continent, e.g., population, urban and industry growth and current environmental concerns, such as climate change.
Skills	To use various mapping resources, and digital technologies to describe physical features; use up to 6 compass points to describe location. To use geographical vocabulary to describe physical features, including topographical features and discuss how they change.	To describe where the UK is and locate major urban areas; locate where they live, using directional language; compare and contrast to another region, reflecting on key human and physical features; to make a map of a short route; present information gathered in fieldwork (data, graphs).	To use various mapping resources, and digital technologies to describe physical features; compare and contrast regions referencing climate zones and biomes. To understand similarities and differences-human and physical geography; To use geographical vocabulary to describe physical features; to explain the term 'Climate Emergency' and the impact higher temperatures have on people's lives.

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Fieldwork and Community







# Year 4

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Unit	Food and Agriculture	Rivers	Environmental and Social Activism
National Curriculum	Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied  Identify the position and significance of latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic Circle, the Prime/Greenwich Meridian and time zones  Describe and understand key aspects of: physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts; human geography, including: types of settlement and land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water.	Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied 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 (interaction between human and physical processes). Describe and understand key aspects of human and physical geography, including: rivers, and the water cycle. 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.	To understand the processes that give rise to key physical and human geographical features of the world, how these are interdependent and how they bring about spatial variation and change over time.  To interpret a range of sources of geographical information, including maps, diagrams, globes, aerial photographs and Geographical Information Systems (GIS)  To communicate geographical information in a variety of ways, including through maps, numerical and quantitative skills and writing at length.
Overview	Enquiry Question: How can food influence some parts of society?  In this unit, the children will begin by deepening their locational and place knowledge by identifying key locations across the world for food growth and production. Through their enquiry, the children will begin to understand how climate and vegetation are connected in biomes and how food production is influenced by climate. They will investigate	Enquiry Question: How important are rivers to people's lives?  In this unit, the children will learn that rivers and river systems are dynamic, altering the landscape in different ways: they provide locations for communities to flourish and be sustained, they are conduits that connect people and places. The children will begin by learning about the journey of a river, using the appropriate geographical vocabulary to describe and	Enquiry Question: How has the work of significant activists had a positive impact of the environment and society?  This will be a cross-curricular unit, drawing from and developing the children's skills in both geographical and historical enquiry.  The children will begin by exploring the term, 'activism': the different forms it can take and the global issues that inspire it. They will revisit and build upon their previous learning, with

	the distribution of natural resources through	discuss; they will explore the interaction	regard to 'climate' and 'climate change', its	
	the journey of the banana, from plantation	between human activity and physical	existence as a consequence of human activity	
	to supermarket. The will take into	process, e.g. flooding and the impact that	and its impact on the planet and people's lives,	
	consideration land use and the trade links	has on the physical environment.	both current and future.	
	between countries: the food exportation	The children will gain first-hand experience		
	process and the individuals who facilitate it.	of a river by conducting fieldwork at their	Having fully immersed themselves in both the	
	They will also learn about Fair Trade and the	most local one, The River Thames, using	human and physical implications of global	
	inequality that exists as part of global food	various methods to observe, measure	warming, the children will then explore the	
	production, considering different ways this is	record and present information about a	different ways in which significant individuals	
	and still needs to be combated.	river in a real-life context.	have fought against environmental and social	
			injustices, from Greta Thunberg to Maya	
			Angelou.	
Skills	To use maps, atlases and globes to locate where the food we consume originates and follow its journey to our plate: land use, environmental impact of human activity, trade links, economic activity and inequality. To locate places in relation to the equator, longitude, latitude and time zones.	To use various mapping resources, and digital technologies to describe human and physical features; to use fieldwork; to use up to 8 compass points and four figure grid references to locate and describe.	To use mapping tools, aerial photographs and various digital technologies to investigate climate change and its impact on both human and physical geography.	
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Year 5				

Unit	The UK	North America - Mexico	The Environment and Climate Change
National	Extend their knowledge and understanding beyond	Locate the world's countries, using maps,	Opportunity to consolidate geography
Curriculum	the local area to include the United Kingdom. his will	concentrating on their environmental regions, key	learning up to the end of year 5 - focus
	include the location and characteristics of significant	physical and human characteristics, countries, and	chosen before the last half term
	human and physical features. They should develop	major cities	according to targeted skills and
	their use of geographical knowledge, understanding		knowledge.
	and skills to enhance their locational and place	Understand geographical similarities and differences	
	knowledge. Use maps, atlases, globes and	through the study of human and physical geography	
	digital/computer mapping to locate countries and	of a region of the United Kingdom, a region in a	
	describe features studied Use the eight points of a		

	compass, four and six-figure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps) to build their knowledge of the United Kingdom and the wider world	European country, and a region within North or South America	
Overview	Enquiry Question: What makes Britain Great?  In this unit, the children will build upon their learning from previous years by deepening their geographical knowledge of the UK through geographical enquiry relating to its human and physical environments. The children will identify the geographical features of the countries of the UK and understand how some of these aspects have changed over time. They will draw information from a wide range of sources to investigate place, patterns, similarities and differences within and between the regions in the UK. There will be opportunities for cross-curricular links, e.g. history (the influence of Celts, Vikings and Romans on UK culture – revisiting prior learning), and SMSC - reflecting some of the fundamental 'British Values'.	Enquiry Question: Is there more to North America than the USA?  In this unit, the children will begin with an overall look at North America, exploring this continent and drawing attention to the diversity of its human and physical geography. They will reflect upon their perception of what 'North America' is, and be able to distinguish it from the USA. They will consider its various countries, environmental regions, climate zones and major cities and states. The children will then go on to focus on one country, Mexico, making comparisons with one other region within North America and a region in the UK. They will consider, both the human and physical characteristics of each, economic activity, climate and environmental impact.	Enquiry Question: Children to establish own line of enquiry linked to the environment and climate change.  The Environment and Climate Change is an umbrella term for year 5's geography topic in the last half-term.  At the end of each year (Summer 2), a different focus, linked to the environment and climate change, is chosen by year 5, e.g. Deforestation or Air Pollution. The topic is chosen for its current relevance, engagement and as an opportunity to consolidate or fill any gaps in the children's geography learning.  At the end of the unit, the children celebrate their learning, in addition to drawing attention to an important global concern by using it as their theme for our annual whole school carnival.
Skills	To use various mapping tools, including digital technologies. To use up to 8 compass points and six-figure grid references, symbols and keys to locate and describe locations and major landmarks; route-planning. Data representation and analysis.	To use various mapping tools, including digital technologies to locate places in relation to the equator, longitude, latitude and time zones. To use up to 8 compass points and six-figure grid references, symbols and keys to locate and describe locations and major landmarks.	See above.
Threads			

Fieldwork and Community Connections













## Year 6

Unit	Japan	Europe
National Curriculum	Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography Identify the position and significance of latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic Circle, the Prime/Greenwich Meridian and time zones (including day and night).  Describe and understand key aspects of: physical geography, including: climate zones and earthquakes; human geography, including: types of settlement and land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water.	Locate the world's countries, using maps, concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries, and major cities Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom, a region in a European country, and a region within North or South America.  Describe and understand key aspects of: physical geography, including: climate zones and earthquakes; human geography, including: types of settlement and land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water.
Overview	Enquiry Question: How have natural and manmade disasters impacted Japan's physical and human geography?  In this unit, the children will start by deepening their locational knowledge of Asia by locating Japan, it's major cities and the surrounding countries using various mapping tools. They will continue to explore the use of latitude and longitude and meridian lines and how they can be used to pinpoint a location. They will learn about how earthquakes	Enquiry Question: What are the key ways in which the geography of Europe is so diverse (physical and human)?  In this unit, the children will begin by going on a journey across Europe, exploring both its physical and human features using various mapping resources and digital technologies. They will reflect on both its diversity and make connections, e.g., with regard to landscape, climate zones, biomes, land use and types of settlements.
	occur, building upon their previous learning, investigating why Japan is so susceptible to them and the preventative measures that are put in place. The children will explore both the physical and human geography of Japan, identifying similarities and differences with the UK. They will reflect upon how human activity has impacted Japan's human and physical features, for example the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.	The children will then carry out a comparative study of three locations: one within the UK, London, Iceland, Reykjavik and Greece, Athens, reflecting on the key human and physical characteristics of each region. Having carried out their initial research, the children will then be able to identify similarities and differences between all three.
Skills	To use various mapping tools, including digital technologies to locate places in relation to the equator, longitude, latitude and time zones. To use 8 compass points and six-figure grid references, symbols and keys to locate and describe	To use various mapping tools, including digital technologies to locate places in relation to the equator, longitude, latitude and time zones. To use 8 compass points

	locations and major landmarks. To describe key physical processes and the resulting	and six-figure grid references, symbols and keys to locate and describe locations and
	landscape features.	major landmarks
Threads	Connections Sustainability	Connections
Tilleads		