Topics with a Geography Focus

Smith's Wood Primary Academy

Geography Curriculum Overview



	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Receptio n	Superheroes The world- Talk about natural things they have observed (nature walk) 30-50m	Winter Wonderland Developing An understanding of changes over time – Seasons. 30-50m	Once Upon a Time UTW- Similarities and differences to where we live to the fairy tale places in the storybooks covered e.g. Three Little Pigs.	In the Wild UTW – Looking at different environments and comparing Noticing features of different animals. 40-60m	Monster vs Aliens UTW- Exploring different worlds and looking at the features of these different worlds (Space). We discuss our planet and the features of Earth (ELG).	We're all going on a summer holiday UTW- Looking at different living creatures and comparing them similarities and differences (ELG)
Year 1	Africa	Footprints through time	Man on the Moon	Festivals around the World	Fire – Fire!	Castles
	To name and locate the continent of Africa. -To know the 7 continents. -To identify hot and cold places of the world with some knowledge of the Equator. -To locate the UK and Africa on the world map, atlas and globe.	 Location Knowledge-Local area Bham Geographical Vocab- Physical/Human (Bham) Aerial Photos- Geographical Skills 	Geographical Skills- Following and plotting routes (directional language).	To know the 7 continentsTo name and locate the continent of AfricaTo identify hot and cold places of the world with some knowledge of the Equator.	 Location knowledge- Locate UK world map Place Knowledge-Flags Aerial Photos/following a route-Geographical Skills Geographical Vocab- Landmarks 	Geographical Vocab- Landmarks

Year 2	Old Macdonald	Start the engine	A whole new World	Pirate School	Horror at the Hospital	Seaside Rescue
	Geographical Vocab- Physical features of farm Geographical Skills- Following and plotting routes (Compass work) Place knowledge- physical/Human features of farm UK	 Location Knowledge- Locate B'ham Aerial Photos/Utilising atlases- Geographical Skills Geographical Vocab- Landmarks B'ham. 	 To name and locate the world's 7 continents and 5 oceans To name their address and phone number, to locate Birmingham- 4 Countries and capital cities of UK (Mary Poppins). Place knowledge-Physical/Human contrast their locality and non-European Physical/Human-Hot and cold places Equator and North and South poles. Geographical Vocab- To name Human and physical features (Iceland/India) 	 Location Knowledge-7 Continents and 5 oceans (Treasure maps) Geographical Skills-Treasure maps Use simple compass directions and to describe the location of features and routes on a map. Treasure Hauls- Using world maps locate treasure Hauls from around the globe using maps to locate countries studied and UK. 	 Place Knowledge/Geograp hical skills/Geog Vocab (Crimean War) Exploring Phyical/Human features. Using world maps to explore countries and continents. 	 Locating and exploring seaside towns (Western Super mare) Design and plot a map (Geog Skils)-Describe the location and of features and routes on a map using compass points and directional language (left, right, near etc Locate Seaside towns within UK and name physical/Human characteristic (oceans/cliffs/river s). Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom (Exploring Weather at the Seaside).

Year 3	Rotten Romans	Jurassic Park	Off with Your Head	The Great	Adventure	Rumble in the Jungle
	 Geographical Skills- Utilising atlases and computer mapping- Countries studied Location Knowledge-Capital Cities Physical/Human- Roman invasion 	 Location knowledge- Continent/Equat or Physical/Human- Use Vocab to describe Physical Features (Volcanoes etc.) Geographical Skills- Utilising atlases and computer mapping- Countries studied 	 Physical and Human- To name key features of a Tudor town (Human/Physical). Location Knowledge- 4 countries of the UK and Capital cities. How features of the land have changed over time, (Tudor houses). 	 Children to create a map using birds eye view of the school and grounds. Use compass points and directions. Use maps/atlas/globes/computer mapping to locate countries. Know the similarities between their location and a location in Europe. Begin to use coordinates to describe location of places. Locate the world's countries, using maps to focus on Europe. To name the world's 7 continents and some countries within them. To locate the Equator, Northern and Southern Hemisphere 		 To locate rainforests of the world To describe a human settlement To use accurate vocabulary to describe human features type of settlement and land use
Year 4	Shake Rattle and Boom!	Why War?	Awesome Asia	Vikings	Aztecs	Live and Let Live
	 Describe and understand key aspects of: physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes, landscapes and the water cycle Use fieldwork to observe, measure 	Location knowledge- past events effecting local area.	 To identify the nationalities, languages and currency of places studied To understand the process of importing and exporting goods and why this is important to countries human geography, including: types of settlement and 	 Physical/Human Land use British settlement Anglo-Saxon and Vikings. Location Knowledge-Land use pattern and how these have changed over time. 	 Exploring Mexico Comparing Food in Mexico to UK food. Place Knowledge-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 in North or South America /To 	 Field Work of the environment (Human and physical features of the local area). 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

	record and present the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods • maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied • use the 8 points of a compass, 4- and		land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water		identify the nationalities, languages and currency of places studied / import/ export of goods • Location knowledge/ Geographical Skills- locate the world's countries, using maps to focus on Europe (including the location of Russia) and North and South America,	technologies.
	6-figure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps)				concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries, and major cities • Physical/Human- Human features (land use, economic activity and trade use etc).	
Year 5	It's all Greek to me Location • Knowledge-human geography- Land use/topographical features changing	 Physical/Human-landmarks and economic activity- B'ham Place knowledge-similarities/differences 	 Survival of the fittest Place knowledge-Population growth – Similarities and differences 	 Geographical Skills and Fieldwork-Route around London Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate 	 Who do you think You are? Exploring Britain Location Knowledge -name and locate counties and cities of the United Kingdom, geographical regions 	 Raging Rivers+ Odious Oceans Exploring water and the effects water can have on our environment. Field work - use fieldwork to

over time.	between	between	countries and	and their identifying	observe, measure
Physical/Human-	physical/Human	different	describe features	human and physical	record and present
rivers, mountains	Geography	countries.	studied. Map	characteristics, key	the human and
and	different regions.	 Geographical 	distances between	topographical	physical features in
landscapes.(Furth	 Location 	Skills and field	different places in	features (including	the local area using
er evidence).	Knowledge- Key	work- using	the UK.	hills, mountains,	a range of methods
	Physical/Human	scales on maps	 Place Knowledge- 	coasts and rivers),	Physical/Human-
	features of	to work out	understand	and land-use	Exploring key
	B'ham	distances	geographical	patterns; and	features of a river/
	Geographical	between	similarities and	understand how	Water Cycle.
	skills and	countries/ using	differences through	some of these aspects	Location
	fieldwork- Trip to	graphs and	the study of human	have changed over	Knowledge- name
	B'ham leaflet of	digital	and physical	time	and locate counties
	B'ham.	technologies to	geography of a	Exploring the	and cities of the
		observe human	region of the United	formation of Britain.	<u>United Kingdom</u> ,
		features of an	Kingdom Locataion		geographical
		area.	Knowledge. Name		regions and their
		 Field work of 	and locate counties		identifying human
		local area- using	and cities of the <u>UK.</u>		and physical
		resources/recog			characteristics, key
		nising the 8			topographical
		points of a			features (including
		compass.			hills, mountains,
					coasts and rivers),
					and land-use
					patterns; and
					understand how
					some of these
					aspects have
					changed over time
					(Erosion)

Year 6 We are not Amuse	Out of this World	Walk Like an	Amazing Americas	Out of Africa
Use maps, atlases globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied	 Geographic skills-Scales of a map to describe places. Writing for a purpose Location knowledge-position and significance of latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern and Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics, Arctic and Antarctic Circle. 	 Physical/Human Geography- To identify / understand rivers, landscapes, vegetation belts-River Nile and Ancient Egyptian towns. Geographical skills- Locating Ancient Egyptian towns on map. Location knowledge- Land use and changes over time – How the Nile was use in Egypt. 	 Location Knowledge (American Food) – Locating America on a world map noticing key Physical and Human features and major cities. Geographical Skills (American Food)- use maps, atlases, locate countries and describe features studied and present work on climate zones in graph template. Place Knowledge-understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of America (American food/continents). Children will explore flags and currency of America. Physical/Human – Climate zones of America 	 Place Knowledge- 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 in North or South America To identify the nationalities, languages and currency of places studied/ to identify flags Geographical skills- Looking and land use/ settlement using satellite images/ maps. use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied Location knowledge / Place Knowledge comparing the UK to Gambia- locate the world's countries, using maps to focus on Europe (including the location of Russia) and North and South America, concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries, and major cities Physical/Human Geography- To identify /understand rivers, landscapes, vegetation belts- Africa and comparing to UK.