

## Geography Curriculum



| Year Group and<br>Topic linked to<br>Geography | Aspect of Geography<br>Curriculum    | Area of Geography Covered  |
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| Year 1<br>Our Local Area                       | Place knowledge                      | Respond to and ask simple closed questions about the<br>local area.<br>Learn names of some places within/around the UK e.g.<br>Roehampton, London.   |
| Exploration                                    | Human and physical<br>geography      | Observe seasonal and daily weather patterns in<br>Roehampton.<br>Locate hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the<br>equator, and North and South Poles.<br>Identify animals that live in these hot and cold places.<br>Know position of the equator and North and South Pole.<br>Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to human<br>features of Roehampton – town, village, house, office,<br>shop, post office, monument etc  |
|  | Geographical skills<br>and fieldwork | Use information books/pictures as sources of information.<br>Use picture maps and globes to identify the equator,<br>North and South Pole.<br>Use locational and directional language (near & far, left &<br>right, forwards & backwards, up & down).<br>Use aerial photos to recognise landmarks in Roehampton.<br>Use a simple picture map to move around the school.<br>Recognise the picture map is about a place.<br>Draw picture maps of imaginary places and from stories.<br>Draw around objects to make a plan.<br>Draw simple maps including imaginary ones and use own<br>symbols.<br>Make observations of the human and physical geography<br>of the school and investigate their surrounding area.<br>Use a simple map to move around the school and<br>recognise it's about a place.<br>Use relative vocabulary to compare places<br>(bigger/smaller) and to show preference (like/dislike). |
| Year 2   | Locational Knowledge                 | Name and locate the 7 continents and 5 oceans on a map.<br>Name, locate and identify characteristics of the 4  |
| Africa   |                                      | countries in the UK and their capital cities and surrounding<br>seas on a UK map.<br>Find land and sea on maps and globes.   |
| The Seaside                                    | Place Knowledge                      | Make comparison of geographical similarities and<br>differences between the human and physical features of a<br>country in Africa (Kenya) and the UK.  |
|  |                                      | Explore physical and human features of a seaside town.   |

|                | Human and physical<br>geography<br>Geographical skills<br>and fieldwork | Investigate the surroundings at the beach location.<br>Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical<br>features of a coastal town e.g. beach, cliff, coast, sea,<br>ocean and to key human features e.g. port, harbour, pier,<br>souvenir shop.<br>Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical<br>features of country studied in Africa e.g. river, soil,<br>vegetation, weather, season, mountain and to key human<br>features e.g. village, farm.<br>Use non-fiction books, stories, maps, pictures, photos and<br>internet as a source of information.<br>Ask simple geographical questions (Where is it? What is it<br>like?)<br>Use teacher drawn maps, infant atlases, large scale OS<br>maps and globes to identify the UK and its countries.<br>Use teacher drawn maps, infant atlases, and globes to<br>identify the 5 continents and 7 oceans.<br>Follow compass directions (N, S, E, W), locational and<br>directional language to describe the location of features<br>on maps.<br>Begin to spatially match places (recognise UK on a small<br>scale and large scale map)<br>Draw a map of a real or imaginary place.<br>Use an aerial map to identify features.<br>Look down on objects to make a plan view map. Begin to<br>understand the need for a key.<br>Use class agreed symbols to make a simple key.<br>Make appropriate observations about why some seaside |
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|                |   | features happen.<br>Follow a route on a map.<br>Begin to spatially match places (recognise UK on a small  |
|                |   | scale map and larger scale map.)  |
| Year 3         | Place knowledge   | A study of the human and physical geography of the local area – Roehampton.   |
| Our Local Area |   | A study of a region within South America – Trinidad and<br>Tobago.<br>Locate on the world map Trinidad and Tobago and the<br>wider Caribbean.   |
| The Caribbean  |   | Understand the physical geography (volcanoes,<br>earthquakes, natural resources, trade links, rivers, climate)<br>and human geography in terms of its population of<br>Trinidad and Tobago and make simple comparisons to the<br>UK.  |
|                | Geographical skills<br>and fieldwork                                    | Begin to ask and initiate geographical questions and the<br>places studied.<br>Make a map of a short route experienced with features in<br>the correct order.   |

|             |                      | Make a simple scale drawing using squared paper (a shape      |
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|             |                      | or a simple tree made from shapes).                           |
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|             |                      | Know why a key in maps is needed.                             |
|             |                      | Use standard symbols in a key.                                |
|             |                      | Begin to draw a sketch map from a high view point.            |
|             |                      | Identify features on an aerial photograph.                    |
|             |                      | Use larger scale maps, atlases, globes and                    |
|             |                      | digital/computer mapping to locate places: London,            |
|             |                      | Roehampton, Trinidad and Tobago.                              |
|             |                      | Begin to identify points on a map.                            |
|             |                      | Use 4 compass points to follow and give directions.           |
|             |                      | Use letter/number co-ordinates to locate features on a        |
|             |                      | map.  |
|             |                      | Follow a route on a map with some accuracy, whilst            |
|             |                      | orienteering (link with PE).                                  |
|             |                      | Begin to match boundaries (find same boundary of a            |
|             |                      | country on a different scale map.)                            |
|             |                      | Begin to collect and record evidence (rainfall in             |
|             |                      | Roehampton).  |
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|             |                      | Analyse evidence and begin to draw conclusions between        |
|             |                      | 2 locations.  |
|             |                      | Use non-fiction books, stories, atlases, pictures/photos      |
|             |                      | and internet as sources of information.                       |
| Year 4      | Locational knowledge | A study of the wider UK.                                      |
|             |                      | Name and locate counties and cities of the UK,                |
| Journeys    |                      | geographical regions and their identifying human and          |
|             |                      | physical characteristics, key topographical features (rivers, |
|             |                      | mountains, coasts and hills) and land use patterns and        |
|             |                      | understand how some of these aspects have changed over        |
| On the Move |                      | time.   |
|             |                      | Locate North and South America in relation to Europe.         |
|             |                      | Map the American States and their capitals in the core        |
|             |                      | text of The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane.              |
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|             |                      | Describe and understand key aspects of the water cycle.       |
|             |                      | Describe and understand key aspects of rivers and the         |
|             | Human and physical   | distribution of water.  |
|             | geography            |   |
|             |                      | Use maps, atlases, globes, satellite images and Google        |
|             |                      | maps and Google Earth to locate North and South America       |
|             |                      | and describe features studied.                                |
|             | Geographical skills  | Use maps, atlases, globes, satellite images and Google        |
|             | and fieldwork        | maps and Google Earth to locate the UK and its counties       |
|             |                      | physical features and describe features studied.              |
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|             |                      | Ask and respond to questions and offer their own ideas.       |
|             |                      | Analyse evidence, draw conclusions and make                   |
|             |                      | comparisons between the main cities of the UK in relation     |
|             |                      | to their physical and human features and or from photos       |
|             |                      | and pictures.   |

|                   |                      | Collect and record evidence in relation to water and the    |
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|                   |                      | water cycle (rainfall).                                     |
|                   |                      | Use 4 compass points well.                                  |
|                   |                      | Begin to use 8 compass points.                              |
|                   |                      | Use letter/number co-ordinates to locate features on a map. |
|                   |                      | Make a scale drawing on squared paper of a house made       |
|                   |                      | from geometric shapes.                                      |
|                   |                      | Begin to recognise symbols on an OS map.                    |
|                   |                      | Know why a key is needed on a map.                          |
|                   |                      | Locate places on a large scale map.                         |
|                   |                      | Follow a route on a large scale map (link with PE).         |
|                   |                      | Identify significant places and environments on maps.       |
| Year 5            | Locational knowledge | A study of a region in a European Country. Locate the       |
|                   | _                    | countries of immediate Europe (Spain, France, Portugal,     |
| Time              |                      | Netherlands, Germany, Italy) and know their key physical    |
|                   |                      | and human characteristics, and major cities.                |
|                   |                      | Identify and understand the significance of longitude and   |
|                   |                      | latitude lines.   |
| The Tale of Two   |                      | Identify the position of longitude lines for time zones in  |
| Cities (Paris and |                      | Europe.   |
| London)           |                      | A study of Davis and France, Compare and contract to        |
|                   |                      | A study of Paris and France. Compare and contrast to        |
|                   | Place knowledge      | London – human and physical geography of France             |
|                   |                      | (especially mountain regions e.g. The Alps).                |
|                   |                      | Anglo Saxon place names and settlements.                    |
|                   |                      | Describe and understand key aspects of France's             |
|                   |                      | settlement, land use, trade links land distribution of      |
|                   | Human and physical   | natural resources including energy, food, minerals and      |
|                   | geography            | water.  |
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|                   |                      | Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping      |
|                   |                      | to locate Europe and describe features studied.             |
|                   |                      | Use the eight points of a compass to build their knowledge  |
|                   | Geographical skills  | of Europe and identify countries and describe features      |
|                   | and fieldwork        | studied.  |
|                   |                      | Use 8 compass points.                                       |
|                   |                      | Begin to use 4 figure coordinates to locate features on a   |
|                   |                      | map.  |
|                   |                      | Make comparisons between aerial maps and maps.              |
|                   |                      | Understand when you would use an OS map to find a           |
|                   |                      | location and when you would atlas eg atlas for country, OS  |
|                   |                      | for smaller village.  |
|                   |                      | Understand the difference between primary and               |
|                   |                      | secondary sources of information in geography.              |
|                   |                      | Begin to suggest questions for investigating.               |
|                   |                      | Compare human/physical features of London and Paris.        |
|                   |                      | Collect and record evidence.                                |
|                   |                      | Analyse evidence and draw conclusions.                      |

|                     |                      | Understand what a thematic map is and look at one that                           |
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|                     |                      | shows height above sea level in Europe.  |
|                     |                      | Look at a sketch map of Paris and redraw it using symbols                        |
|                     |                      | from OS map to show famous landmarks and features.                               |
|                     |                      | Measure straight line distance on a plan or map and                              |
|                     |                      | understand real life experiences when this skill is used                         |
|                     |                      | (school admissions).   |
|                     |                      | Look at maps and talk about what the scales mean.                                |
|                     |                      | Use Google Earth to help draw a plan view map of the                             |
|                     |                      | road layout of area around the Arc de Triomphe or similar                        |
|                     |                      | location.  |
| Year 6              | Locational knowledge | Geography of the Wider World and Wider Europe. Locate wider                      |
| Tedi O              | Locational knowledge | European countries (from Germany and Italy to Russia) and                        |
|                     |                      | some further world countries and their capitals using, digital                   |
| The Lady of Shallot |                      | /computer mapping.   |
|                     |                      | Identify the position and significance of latitude, longitude,                   |
|                     |                      | equator, hemispheres, tropic of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic                     |
|                     |                      | and Antarctic, the Prime/Greenwich Meridian and time zones                       |
| The Science of      |                      | (including day and night).   |
| Survival            |                      | Describe and understand climate zones, biomes, vegetation                        |
|                     |                      | belts e.g. aquatic, desert, forest, grassland, tundra area of the                |
|                     |                      | world (classified according to vegetation, weather and their                     |
|                     | Human and physical   | adaptation to that environment).   |
|                     | geography            | Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to                        |
|                     |                      | locate countries and describe features studied.                                  |
|                     |                      | Use 8 compass points confidently and accurately.                                 |
|                     |                      | Use 4 figure coordinates confidently to locate features on maps.                 |
|                     |                      | Begin to use 6 figure grid references to identify positions on                   |
|                     | Geographical skills  | maps.  |
|                     | and fieldwork        | Use latitude and longitude on atlas map.   |
|                     |                      | Use atlas to find out about other features of places eg highest                  |
|                     |                      | peak in the world, wettest place in the world.                                   |
|                     |                      | Suggest questions for investigating.   |
|                     |                      | Use primary and secondary sources of evidence in their                           |
|                     |                      | investigations and collect evidence.   |
|                     |                      | Analyse evidence and draw conclusions.   |
|                     |                      | Begin to draw a thematic map based on given data.                                |
|                     |                      | Use/recognise OS map symbols.<br>Use atlas symbols to identify features on maps. |
|                     |                      | Follow a short route on an OS map and describe features on the                   |
|                     |                      | map. (PE link)   |
|                     |                      | Locate places on a world map.  |
|                     |                      | Use a scale to measure distances.  |
|                     |                      | Draw a plan view map accurately.   |
|                     |                      | Identify significant places and environments.                                    |
|                     |                      | Use OS maps.   |
|                     |                      | Confidently use an atlas.  |
|                     |                      | Recognised world map as a flattened globe.                                       |
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