

APS Curriculum Intent for Geography

At Attleborough Primary we believe that Geography helps to provoke and provide answers to questions about the natural and human aspects of the world. The structure and sequence of our geography lessons ensures teachers have covered the skills and knowledge required to meet the aims of the national curriculum. It is designed to develop knowledge and skills that are progressive, as well as transferable to other areas of the curriculum; starting with what is familiar in EYFS (our local area) and then expanding to Our Country and then more abstract environments and concepts. We seek to inspire in children a curiosity and fascination about the world and its people which will remain with them for the rest of their lives; to promote the children's interest and understanding of diverse places, people, resources and natural and human environments, together with a deep understanding of the Earth's key physical and human processes. We aim to improve children's geographical vocabulary, map skills and geographical facts, as well as help our pupils understand their place and responsibilities in the world with ever increasing issues such as climate change and renewable sources of energy.



EYFS Statutory Framework Geography Related Objectives

People, culture and communities

- Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps
- Explain some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries, drawing on knowledge from stories, non-fiction texts and when appropriate maps.

The natural world

- Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants
- Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class

RECEPTION Key content knowledge.

• Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, the seasons and changing states of matter

What knowledge children will have at the end of each unit- these will also be used for assessment		
Autumn	Spring	Summer
Key Question : What is it like to be part of the	Key Question: What is it like where I live?	Key Question: Where do all the animals live?
Attleborough Primary School Community?		
	Core Knowledge:	Core Knowledge:
Core Knowledge:	1. Pupils will Know that there are different	1. Children will know some contrasting
1. Children will know what their classroom looks like	countries in the world and talk about differences	environments around the world including
and outside area	they have experienced or seen in photos.	different animals that live there eg: rainforests,
2. Children will know how to locate our school in the	2. Pupils will know how to explore their local	arctic, deserts, oceans, land, woodlands,
local area	environments using their senses	2. Children will know that different animals live in
3. Children will know their route to school	3. Pupils will know about weather, culture,	different habitats
4. Children will know some jobs people have within	clothing, housing.	
our community	4. Pupils will know Features of local environment;	
	Comparing places on Google Earth – how are they	
Key Question : What is a Big Freeze	similar/ different?	
	5. Pupils will know how to create a map of our	
Core Knowledge:	town	
1. Children will know what a season is and that there	6. Children will know what recycling is and how it	
are 4 seasons	can help take care of our world	
2. Children will know some of the changes that	Skills: To know what a map is and how to draw a	
happen with the seasons	simple map	



Key Vocabulary All children to know the meaning of these words by the end of the unit		
Change, seasons, weather, school, community	Community, country, locality, map, town	Arctic, cold, Environment. Habitat, hot, world, ocean, land, woodland
Enrichment Opportunities		
Trips / visitors/ WOW moments		
Exploring outside environment	Fieldwork: Walk around Attleborough	

National Curriculum aims:

The national curriculum for geography aims to ensure that all pupils:

- develop contextual knowledge of the location of globally significant places both terrestrial and marine including their defining physical and human characteristics and how these provide a geographical context for understanding the actions of processes
- 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
- are competent in the geographical skills needed to:
 - o collect, analyse and communicate with a range of data gathered through experiences of fieldwork that deepen their understanding of geographical processes
 - o interpret a range of sources of geographical information, including maps, diagrams, globes, aerial photographs and Geographical Information Systems (GIS)
 - o communicate geographical information in a variety of ways, including through maps, numerical and quantitative skills and writing at length.



YEAR 1-Year 2

Key Stage 1 National Curriculum Objectives

Pupils will develop knowledge about the world, the United Kingdom and their locality. They will 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.

Pupils to be taught to:

Locational knowledge

- name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans
- name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas

Place knowledge

• understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the United Kingdom, and of a small area in a contrasting non-European country

Human and physical geography

- identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom and the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles
- use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to:
 - o key physical features, including: beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, valley, vegetation, season and weather
 - o key human features, including: city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour and shop

Geographical skills and fieldwork

- use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries, as well as the countries, continents and oceans studied at this key stage
- use simple compass directions (North, South, East and West) and locational and directional language [for example, near and far; left and right], to describe the location of features and routes on a map
- use aerial photographs and plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features; devise a simple map; and use and construct basic symbols in a key
- use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of their school and its grounds and the key human and physical features of its surrounding environment



Year 1				
• • •	Key content knowledge.			
Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term		
Key Question: Why is the weather always different around the World?	Key Question : How does Kenya compare to where I live?	Key Question : Why do we love to visit the seaside so much?		
Locational Knowledge	Locational Knowledge 1. To know that Africa is one of seven continents	Locational Knowledge 1. Pupils will know how to locate seaside resorts in		
Place Knowledge	and that a continent is a group of countries	the four countries of the UK		
Human and Physical Geography 1.Children will know what the weather is like where	Place Knowledge 1. To know where Kenya is in the world	Pupils will know how to identify the main British islands using a map		
they live and in their country.	Human and Physical Geography	Place Knowledge		
 2.Children will know that weather changes with the seasons 3. Children will know how the weather can affect us 4. Children will know symbols and key words to describe the weather 5. Children will know the dangers of the weather Children will know what hot and cold countries are like. 	 To know what life is like for people in Kenya To know what a National Park is Pupils will know some of the animals that live in Kenya Pupils will know what Maasai culture is like Pupils will know how to compare their life to a 	 Human and Physical Geography Pupils will know what seaside holidays and resorts were like in the past and the present Pupils will know location of some hot and cold places in the world Will know human/physical features - seaside town 		
	child's from Kenya	Skills and fieldwork		
Skills and fieldwork 1.Children will know what a map is and is can be used to locate hot and cold countries 2.Children will know how the weather can be measured	Skills and fieldwork1. Can locate Kenya on a world map2. Can draw a simple map3. Use compass directions to describe places-map	 Use key words to describe a seaside location- UK Can use a map to locate seaside locations Can observe aerial photos of seaside locations Can describe places and routes on a map 		
eg: thermometer.	4. To observe photos/ask questions about a place	5. To visit a seaside resort & follow a route on a map		
	Key Vocabulary			
All children to know the meaning of these words by the end of the unit				
Climate, thermometer, weather	Africa, compass, Continent, country, culture, direction	Cliff, coast, England, harbour, Man-made, natural, Northern Ireland, Human/physical feature, island, Scotland, tourist, Wales		
Enrichment Opportunities				
Trips / visitors/ WOW moments				
Fieldwork: Measuring the weather	Africa Alive Visit	Seaside trip		



Year 2			
Autumn Term	Key content knowledge.	Summer Term	
Key Question: What is the geography in my country?	Spring Term Key Question: Why is our world so wonderful?	Key Question: What is our local area like?	
Rey Question. What is the geography in my country:	Rey Question. Willy is our world so wonderful:	Rey Question. What is our local area like:	
Locational Knowledge	Locational Knowledge:	Locational Knowledge	
1. Pupils know the countries of the UK.	1. To name and locate the continents and oceans		
2. Pupils know the key features of the countries of the	of the world	Place Knowledge	
UK	2. To understand key features of the continents of	Liveran and Physical Cooperator	
3. Pupils can name the capital cities of the UK	the world.	Human and Physical Geography 1. To understand what our local area is like.	
countries	3. To locate the continent we live in and describe	To understand what our local area is like. To know different types of housing in the	
Place Knowledge	some of the key features.	local area.	
1. Pupils can compare 2 capital cities – London and Brazil	Place Knowledge:	3. To know the types of jobs that people do in our local area.	
	Human and Physical Geography	4. To know ways that we can change the local area.	
Human and Physical Geography	1. To understand how a journey can be made		
1. Pupils will know the differences between a 'town' &	around the world. 2. To understand the location of hot and cold	Skills and fieldwork	
the 'countryside' & use key words to describe them. 2. Pupils know key features of countries of UK	countries around the world.	1. To observe what my local area is like	
2. Pupils know key leatures of countries of Ok	countries around the world.	2. To describe where things are on a map	
Skills and fieldwork	Skills and fieldwork		
1. Can locate the UK using a map.	1. Pupils will know what a journey line is		
2. Pupils know what a journey line is	2.To observe aerial photos		
3. Pupils will know what an 'aerial view' shows.			
	Key Vocabulary		
All children to know the meaning of these words by the end of the unit			
Capital, City, distance, farm, harbour, island, landmark,	Africa, Antarctica, Asia, Australia, Continent,	Observe, record. Street map, symbols, key, detached,	
London, rural, port, South America, transport, travel,	equator, Europe, globe, landmark, North/South	semi-detached, terrace, flat, bungalow, county	
valley, village	America, northern and southern hemisphere,		
	ocean/sea, polar, population, tropical Enrichment Opportunities		
Trips / visitors/ WOW moments			
Trip to London	mps / visitors/ vvo vv moments	Walk about town	



YEAR 3 to Year 6

Key Stage 2 National Curriculum Objectives

Pupils will 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 will develop their use of geographical knowledge, understanding and skills to enhance their locational and place knowledge.

Pupils will be taught to:

Locational knowledge

- 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
- 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
- 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)

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 within North or South America

Human and physical geography

- describe and understand key aspects of:
 - o physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes, and the water cycle
 - o 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

Geographical skills and fieldwork

- use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and 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
- 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



Year 3 Key content knowledge.			
Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term	
Key Question : What are the key geographical features of the UK?	Key Question: What is special about a Rainforest? Locational Knowledge	Key Question: What is land used for? Locational Knowledge	
 Locational Knowledge: Know and locate the main rivers and seas of the UK. Know and locate some of the counties of the UK. Name and locate areas of high ground in the UK. Know ways that London has changed over time. Know the importance of the Prime Meridian to London's history. Know how the UK has changed over time. Place Knowledge. Human and Physical Geography. Skills and fieldwork. Know the eight compass points to describe the location of the countries and cities of the UK. Identify rivers and seas using an atlas or map. Use a map to locate some of the counties of the UK. Use a map/atlas to locate areas of high ground in UK 	 Know how to identify areas of the world containing rainforests. Know the key aspects of a tropical climate. Place Knowledge Human and Physical Geography Know the features of the layers of a rainforest Know the animals and plants living in the rainforest Know how to compare the Amazon rainforest and Thetford Forest. Pupils Know the effects humans are having on the rainforests - deforestation Skills and fieldwork Use maps and atlases to locate rainforests. Observe, measure, record and present the 	Place Knowledge Human and Physical Geography 1. Know how to use simple sketch maps that show how land is used. 2. Know the similarities and differences of land use in urban and rural areas in the UK 3. Know how land is used for different types of farming. Skills and fieldwork 1. Can draw a simple sketch map to show how land is used 2. Can use a key on a map to show how land is used	
human and physical features of Thetford Forest Key Vocabulary All children to know the meaning of these words by the end of the unit			
Atlantic. Compass, county, English Channel, Irish Sea, North Sea, high ground prime meridian, population. Immigration, industry	Amazon, Brazil, Canopy, layers, forest floor, understory	Agriculture, Cartographer. Rural. urban	
	Enrichment Opportunities Trips / visitors/ WOW moments Trip to Thetford Forest		



Year 4 Key content knowledge.		
Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Key Question: What is it like in Eastern Europe?	Key Question: What is special about Antarctica?	Key Question : What makes a good place to settle?
Locational Knowledge 1. Know the countries of Europe 2. Know capital cities of some European countries Place Knowledge 1. Pupils will know the features of eastern European landscapes and compare with their own 2. Compare the climate of eastern European regions with that of my own area. Human and Physical Geography 1. Compare the human geography of eastern European regions with that of my own area. 2. Present information about one area of eastern Europe. 3. Know the impact of the Chernobyl nuclear disaster	Locational Knowledge: 1. Pupils will know the position and significance of the Equator, the Northern Hemisphere, and the Southern Hemisphere 2. Pupils know how to identify lines of latitude and longitude 3. Know the key features of the polar regions and compare them to the UK 4. Pupils will know how to compare the climate of the tropics with the UK climate 5. Pupils will know how to explain the position and significance of the Prime Meridian 6. Know the position and significance of time zones Place Knowledge	Locational Knowledge Place Knowledge Human and Physical Geography 1. Know why settlements develop in certain locations. 2. Know how to compare land use in different settlements Skills and fieldwork 1. Can use maps to identify settlements built by invaders 2. Use maps to identify links between settlements 3. Create a map of a settlement
Skills and fieldwork	Human and Physical Geography	
1.	Skills and fieldwork 1. Know how to use longitude and latitude to find places on maps, atlases and globes.	
Key Vocabulary All children to know the meaning of these words by the end of the unit		
Agriculture, arable, climate, continent, landscape, population, precipitation, physical/human geography	Arctic, equator, latitude, longitude, northern and southern hemisphere, polar, prime meridian, Enrichment Opportunities	Agriculture, early settlers, industrial, leisure, settlement
Mpas, photographs, videos	Trips / visitors/ WOW moments Maps, photographs, bbc frozen planet clips	West Stow trip , Maps, place name investigations



	Year 5			
	Key content knowledge.			
Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term		
Key Question: What is marvellous about mountains Locational Knowledge	Key Question: Why is our planet so 'extreme' sometimes?	Key Question: Where does our energy come from? Locational Knowledge		
 Locate key mountain ranges of the world Locate key areas of higher ground in the UK Know the key features of a mountain range. Know how different types of mountains are formed Place Knowledge Human and Physical Geography Describe a mountainous climate Know how tourism affects mountain regions Skills and fieldwork Use a map to find countries and their key features. Use a map to find and describe key features of the mountains. 	Place Knowledge Human and Physical Geography 1. Know what is underground 2. Know how volcanoes are formed 3. Know how volcanoes affect people's lives 4. Know what caused earthquakes and how they are measured 5. To know what causes tsunamis and how they affect people 6. To know what causes tornadoes and how they arrect people Skills and fieldwork	Place Knowledge Human and Physical Geography 1. Know what settlers need 2. Know how electricity is generated and distributed. 3. Know where electricity is generated in the UK. 4. Know renewable sources of electricity. 5. Know where our food comes from 6. Know the importance of conserving food, water and energy supplies 7. Know the access to natural resources varies in different countries Skills and fieldwork 1. Use digital maps to calculate food miles		
	Key Vocabulary			
All child Altitude, avalanche, crust, gorge, larva, magma, peak, summit, tectonic plate	cumulonimbus cloud, erupt, fossils, magma, tectonic plates Enrichment Opportunities	Conserve, consume, fertile, food miles, import, non/renewable, produced, solar, turbine		
Maps, videos, pbotographs	Trips / visitors/ WOW moments Maps, videos, photographs, what's in the news	Trip to How Hill Maps, videos, photographs, what's in the news		



Year 6 Key content knowledge.		
Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Key Question: How is our World Changing?	Key Question: What is a river?	Key Question: What is amazing about the America's?
 Locational Knowledge Know how water and weather can change the landscape. Know how coastal features are formed Know how the make-up of the United Kingdom has changed over time Know how the international borders of Europe have changed over time Explain how and why landscapes have changed over time Predict how physical factors might change the landscape in the future Place Knowledge Human and Physical Geography Identify coastal features of the UK. Skills and fieldwork 	Locational Knowledge 1. Locate the key rivers of the UK. 2. locate the key rivers of the world Place Knowledge Human and Physical Geography 1. Explain the water cycle. 2. Know the key features of a river system 3. Describe the way rivers are used 4. Explain the impact of damming rivers Skills and fieldwork 1. Use atlases and maps to identify the key features of a river system. 2	Locational Knowledge 1. Use geographical terminology to describe the location & characteristics of a range of places across the Americas. Place Knowledge 1. Know the countries of North and South America 2. Know the capital city of a country in North/South America. 3. Know the names & locations of the ancient/newwonders 4. Describe the characteristics and significance of a natural wonder of the Americas. Human and Physical Geography 1. Describe the climates and biomes of different regions across the Americas. 2. Know physical and human geographical features of my local area. 3. Identify similarities and differences in the human and physical geography of my local area and a region of North America Skills and fieldwork
Key Vocabulary All children to know the meaning of these words by the end of the unit		
Acidic, border, erosion, deposition, dissolve, weathering	Channel, dam, deposition, discharge Erosion, mouth, source, tidal, tributary, valley	Biomes, climate, continent, equator, fauna/flora, latitude, longitude, weather
Enrichment Opportunities Trips / visitors/ WOW moments		
Local coastal erosion news, photographs	Range of sources – photos, maps, videos,	Geographical Photographs, artwork of ancient relics