Winnington Park Primary School and Nursery

Knowledge and Skills Progression in Geography

Progression of Skills

EYFS		Year I	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Understanding the	Geographical	Use information	Children	Begin to	Ask and respond	Begin to suggest	Suggest questions
world	Enquiry	books, pictures, and	encouraged to ask	ask/initiate	to questions and	questions for	for
1		simple maps as	simple	geographical	offer their own	investigating	Investigating
ELG:		sources of	geographical	questions.	ideas.		
1		information.	questions; Where			Begin to use	Use primary and
People, Culture and			is it? What's it	Use NF books,	Extend to satellite	primary and	secondary sources
Communities		Make observations	like?	stories, atlases,	images, aerial	secondary sources	of evidence in their
		about where things		pictures/photos	Photographs	of evidence in	investigations.
Children at the		are e.g. within	Use NF books,	and internet as		their	
expected level of		school or local area.	stories, maps,	sources of	Collect and	investigations.	Investigate places
development will:			pictures/photos	information.	record evidence		with more
			and internet as		with some aid	Investigate places	emphasis on the
- Describe their			sources of	Investigate places		with more	larger scale;
immediate			information.	and themes at	Analyse evidence	emphasis on the	contrasting and
environment using				more than one	and draw	larger scale;	distant places
knowledge from			Make appropriate	scale	conclusions e.g.	contrasting and	
observation,			observations		make comparisons	distant places	Collect and record
discussion, stories,			about why things	Begin to collect	between locations		evidence
non-fiction texts and			happen.	and record	photos/pictures/	Collect and	
maps;				Evidence	maps	record evidence	Analyse evidence
			Make simple			unaided	and draw
- Know some			comparisons	Analyse evidence			conclusions e.g.
similarities and			between features	and begin to draw		Analyse evidence	from field work
differences between			of different places.	conclusions e.g.		and draw	data on land use
different religious and				make		conclusions e.g.	comparing
cultural				comparisons		compare historical	land
communities in this				between two		maps of varying	use/temperature,
country, drawing on				locations using		scales	look at patterns
their experiences and				photos/ pictures,		e.g. temperature	and explain
what has been				temperatures in		of various	reasons
read in class;				different		locations -	behind it
				locations.		influence on	
- Explain some						people/everyday	
similarities and						life	
differences between	Direction/Lo	Follow directions (Up,	Use the four	Begin to use the 8	Use 8 compass	Use 8 compass	Use 8 compass

life in this country and life in other countries, drawing on knowledge from stories, nonfiction texts and — when appropriate — maps.	cation	down, left/right, forwards/backwards) Begin to use this positional language to give directions and locations	compass points NSEW	compass points to follow/give directions Use letter/no. coordinates to locate features on a map.	points Use letter/no. co- ordinates to locate features on a map more confidently.	points Begin to use 4 figure co- ordinates to locate features on a map.	points confidently and accurately Use 4 figure co- ordinates confidently to locate features on a map. Begin to use 6 figure grid refs Use latitude and longitude on
	Drawing Maps	Draw picture maps of imaginary places.	Draw a map of a real or imaginary place. (e.g. add detail to a sketch map from aerial photograph)	Construct a map of a short route experienced, with features in correct order Construct a basic key	Make a map of a short route experienced, with features in correct order. Make a simple scale drawing	Begin to draw a variety of maps based on their own data.	atlas maps. Draw a variety of maps based on their own data. Begin to draw plans of increasing complexity the incorporate regions outside the UK
	Representati on	Use own symbols on imaginary map.	Begin to understand the need for a key. Use class agreed symbols to make a simple key.	Know why a key is needed. Use standard symbols.	Know why a key is needed. Begin to recognise symbols on an OS map.	Draw a sketch map using symbols and a key Use/recognise OS map symbols.	Use/recognise OS map symbols Use atlas symbols.
	Using Maps	Use a simple picture map to move around the school Recognise that it is about a place.	Follow a route on a map. Use a plan view. Use an infant atlas	Locate places on larger scale maps e.g. map of Europe. Follow a route on	Locate places on large scale maps, (e.g. Find UK or India on globe)	Compare maps with aerial photographs. Compare maps from different	Follow a short route on an OS map. Describe features shown on OS map.

Scale / Distance / Perspective *KS2 see Style of Ma	/dislike)	Begin to spatially match places (e.g. recognise UK on a small scale and larger scale map) Locate places using aerial photographs Explain what	a map with some accuracy. (e.g. whilst orienteering) Begin to match boundaries (E.g. find same boundary of a country on different scale maps.)	Begin to match boundaries (E.g. find same boundary of a county on different scale maps.)	time periods. Select a map for a specific purpose. (E.g. Pick atlas to find Taiwan, OS map to find local village.) Begin to use atlases to find out about other features of places. (e.g. find wettest part of the world) Measure straight line distance on a plan. Find/recognise places on maps of different scales. (E.g. river Nile.)	Locate places on a world map. Use atlases to find out about other features of places. (e.g. mountain regions, weather patterns) Use a scale to measure distances. Draw/use maps and plans at a range of scales.
		Explain what 'bird's eye view' means				
Map Knowledge	Learn names of some places within/around the UK. E.g. Home town, cities, countries e.g. Wales. Name and locate the 4 countries/principalities of the UK and their capital cities	Name the 7 continents and 5 oceans Recognise some key landmarks in the Uniter Kingdom	Begin to identify points on maps A,B and C Locate the European countries and their capital cities on a map Locate and name the towns and	Begin to identify significant places and environments	Identify significant places and environments Locate countries in North and South America and larger cities	Confidently identify significant places and environments Locate and name countries and cities in Africa, Australasia and Asia Name and locate rivers, hills,

			cities in the local area (Cheshire)			mountains and coasts of the UK Name and locate the counties of the UK
Style of Map	Picture maps and globes	Find land/sea on globe. Use large scale OS maps. Use an infant atlas	Use large scale OS maps. Begin to use map sites on internet. Begin to use junior atlases. Begin to identify features on aerial/oblique photographs. Use 2 figure grid references	Use large and medium scale OS maps. Use junior atlases. Identify features on aerial/oblique photographs. Begin to use 4 figure grid references	Use index and contents page within atlases. Use 4 figure grid references	Use OS maps. Confidently use an atlas. Recognise world map as a flattened globe. Use 6 figure grid references

Progression of Knowledge

National Curriculum Objectives								
Key Stage I		Key Stage 2						
I	2	3	4	5	6			
*identify seasonal and daily	*name and locate the	*understand geographical	*use maps, atlases, globes	*use maps, atlases, globes	*use maps, atlases, globes			
weather patterns in the	world's seven continents	similarities and differences	and digital / computer	and digital / computer	and digital / computer			
UK	and five oceans	through the study of	mapping to locate	mapping to locate	mapping to locate			
		human and physical	countries and describe	countries and describe	countries and describe			
*use simple fieldwork and	*identify the location of	geography of a region of	features studied – see	features studied – see	features studied – see			
observational skills to	hot and cold areas of the	the United Kingdom –	skills progression	skills progression	skills progression			
study the geography of	world in relation to the	Northwich						
their school and its	Equator and the North		*understand geographical	*describe and understand	*use the eight points of a			

grounds and the key human and physical features of its surrounding environment

*use simple locational and directional language (e.g. near and far; left and right) to describe the location of features and routes on maps

*use picture maps; draw a picture map with real and imaginary places; use own symbols

*name the country I live in and its capital city

*use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to: key physical features, including: beach, hill, mountain, sea, river, soil, season, weather

*use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to: key human features, including: town, city, village, shop, farm, house

*name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the UK and its surrounding seas

*use maps, atlases and

and South Poles

*use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to: key physical features, including: port, harbour, factory, office

*use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to: key human features, including: cliff, coast, forest, ocean, valley, vegetation

*understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the UK, and of a small area in a contrasting non – European country *use maps, atlases and globes to identify continents and oceans

*use simple compass directions (North, South, East and West) 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; construct basic symbols in a key *use maps, atlases, globes and digital / computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied – see skills progression

*use fieldwork to observe, measure, record and present the human features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital technologies

*name and locate countries and cities of the UK, 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

*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 UK – see skills progression

similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of a European country – Italy

*identify the position and significance of latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern and Southern Hemispheres, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Artic and Antarctic Circle, the Prime / Greenwich Meridian and time zones (including day and night)

*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 wider world – see skills progression

*use of fieldwork to observe, measure, record and present the physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital technologies

*describe and understand key aspects of: physical geography, including: climate zones, key aspects of: human geography, including: types of settlements and land use

*understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region within North and South America

*locate the world's countries, using maps to focus on North and South America, concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries and major cities

*describe and understand key aspects of: physical geography, including: mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes

*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 wider world – see skills progression

*identify the position and

compass, four and six figure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps) to build their knowledge of the wider world – see skills progression

*describe and understand key aspects of: physical geography, including: economic activity including trade links and the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water

*describe and understand key aspects of: physical geography, including: rivers, rainforests

globes to identify the UK,			biomes and vegetation	significance of latitude,	
its countries and		*locate the world's	belts, water cycle	longitude, Equator,	
surrounding seas		countries, using maps to	7 c	Northern and Southern	
		focus on Europe (including		Hemispheres, the Tropics	
		the location of Russia),		of Cancer and Capricorn,	
		concentrating on their		Artic and Antarctic Circle,	
		environment regions, key		the Prime / Greenwich	
		physical and human		Meridian and time zones	
		characteristics, countries		(including day and night)	
		and major cities		(
Knowledge					
To name seasonal	To name the world's	To know the geographical	To explain why the	To know what natural	To understand economic
weather in the UK	seven continents	similarities and differences	Equator is significant	resources are – energy,	activity including trade
		of the human and physical		food, minerals and water	links and the distribution
To name daily weather	To know where the	features of Northwich	To explain what longitude		of natural resources
patterns in the UK	world's seven continents		and latitude mean	To know where	
	are	To know where		topographical features of	To locate the world's
To know some features of		Northwich, Chester and	To know where the	the UK are	countries and major cities
my school inside and	To name the world's five	Cheshire are on a UK	Northern and Southern		that are relevant to the
outside	oceans	map	Hemispheres are	To understand how some	History topics learnt this
				topographical features	year e.g. WWII and The
To know some features	To know where the	To know where countries	To know where the	change over time	Royals
around my school	world's five oceans are	are	Tropics of Cancer and		To know how to use
	1		Capricorn are	To understand the key	fieldwork to observe,
To know how to describe	To know where hot and	To know the human	l	features of rivers	measure, record and
where something is	cold locations of the	features in the local area	To know where the		present the human and
	world are		Antarctic Circle and the	To understand the key	physical features in the
To know how to explain a		To know the geographical	Artic are	aspects of settlements and	local areas using digital
route on a map	To know where the	similarities and differences	T. I	land use	technologies
To know how to use a	Equator is	of the human and physical	To know some symbols	T	To name and locate
	To know where the	features of a place studied	are keys from Ordnance	To explain and understand	
picture map	North and South Poles	through our History	Survey maps	the key features of the	countries and cities of the
To know how draw a		topics e.g. Egypt	To know the physical	water cycle	Uniter Kingdom,
	are	To know where the	features of the local area	To know the goographical	geographical regions and
picture map	To know the four	countries of Europe	leatures of the local area	To know the geographical similarities and differences	their identifying human and physical
To know some symbols	compass point names	(including Russia) are		of the human and physical	characteristics, key
on maps and explain my	compass point names	(including ixussia) are		features of a region within	topographical features and
own symbols	To know how to give	To know where the major		North and South America	land-use patterns; and
Own symbols	directions using the four	cities of the countries of		I voi di and soudi America	understand how some of
	Tail ections using the lour	cides of the could les of			understand now some of

To name the country I live	compass points	Europe (including Russia)	To understand the key	these aspects have
in and its capital city		are	aspects of climate zones	changed over time
. ,	To know what 'bird's eye		and biomes and vegetation	· ·
To name the four	view' and aerial	To know where cities and	belts	
countries in the UK	perspectives are	counties in the UK are		
			To know where the	
To name the four capital	To know what some		countries of North and	
cities of the countries in the UK	symbols on maps mean		South America are	
	To know what my own		To know where major	
To recall the	symbols mean		cities in the countries of	
characteristics of the four			North and South America	
countries in the UK	To know what a human		are	
	feature is			
To name the seas			To understand the key	
surrounding the UK	To name a human feature		features of mountains	
	To know what a physical		To understand the key	
	To know what a physical feature is		To understand the key features of volcanoes	
	leature is		leatures or voicarioes	
	To name a physical		To understand the key	
	feature		features of earthquakes	
			To know what the Prime /	
			Greenwich Meridian is	
			To know how time is	
			measure using the Prime /	
			Greenwich Meridian	
			To know that different	
			countries are in different	
			time zones	