

# Curriculum River - Geography

## Reception

### Locational Knowledge:

Recognise some environments that are different from the one in which they live.  
Location of their classroom within the wider school.

**Vocabulary:** near, far, environment, information

### Place Knowledge:

Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries.

Know that there are different countries in the world and talk about the differences they have experienced or seen in photos.

**Vocabulary:** Summer, seaside, celebrations, mini-beasts, holidays, photos, postcards

### Human and Physical Geography:

Describe effect of changing seasons on the natural world around. Understanding this within the location of our school.

**Vocabulary:** Autumn, direction, hibernate, leaves, Winter, signs, map, mapping, through, over, under, seasons, Harvest, Spring, changes, acorns, environment, Summer

### Geographical Skills and Fieldwork:

Ask simple geographical questions.

Draw information from a simple map.

Use directional language: forwards, backwards, left and right.

**Vocabulary:** what, why, how, seasonal changes, Spring, Summer, Winter, Autumn, seasons, compare, same, different, hunt, look, see, hear, smell, map, signs, class maps

## Year 1 and 2 Cycle B

### Geographical Skills and Fieldwork:

- Use simple compass directions and locational and directional language 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

**Vocabulary:** North, South, East, West, compass, near and far, left and right and other locational and positional language, environment, symbols, key

### 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

**Vocabulary:** contrast, compare, similarities, differences, city, town, house, home, shop, road, bus, car, detached house, semi-detached house, terraced house, garden, street, school, park, path, lake, canal

### Locational Knowledge:

- Name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans

**Vocabulary:** map, atlas, globe, British Isles, rivers, Thames, Tay, Severn, Bann, North Sea, English Channel, Atlantic Ocean, Irish Sea, Europe, North America, South America, Oceania/Australasia, Asia, Africa, Antarctica, Pacific Ocean, Indian Ocean, Southern Ocean, Arctic Ocean, Atlantic Ocean

## Year 1 and 2 Cycle A

### 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

**Vocabulary:** England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, London, Edinburgh, Cardiff, Belfast, capital cities, countries, continents, oceans, British Isles

### 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 key human and physical features

**Vocabulary:** equator, North Pole, South Pole, hotter, colder, Physical Features (beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, valley, vegetation, season and weather), Human Features (city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour and shop), predict, compare, contrast, similarities, differences, locality, identify, observe

### Locational Knowledge:

- Name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas

**Vocabulary:** map, atlas, globe, England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, London, Edinburgh, Cardiff, Belfast, capital cities, countries, UK