Chad Vale Primary School Curriculum Overview for Geography



Year Group	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Rec	Understanding the World	Understanding the World	Understanding the World	Understanding the World	Understanding the World	Understanding the World
NB: Interchangeable topics.	Seasons and Colour	Habitats Local Walk	Making Maps – Journey to School	Local Environment Comparing Locations (Houses)	Farm Trip Recycling	Local Walk
Year 1	Seasonal & Daily Weather Patterns. Geography of the UK & Surrounding Areas.			Hot and Cold Areas of the World Including North/South Pole.	Fieldwork and Observational Skills of the School and its Grounds Including Human and Physical Features.	
Learning Objectives in this Unit	- I can keep a weather chart and answer questions about the weather I can explain how the weather changes throughout the year and name the seasons I can locate the four countries and capitals in the United Kingdom on a map I can name the four countries and capitals in the United Kingdom and the surrounding seas I can compare the human and physical geography in a small area of the UK.			- I can explain some of the main things that are in hot and cold places I can explain the clothes that I would wear in hot and cold places.	- I can use simple observational skills to study the geography of the school grounds noting human and physical features.	
Year 2	Compare and Contrast the UK and Brazil (Rainforests).		Study of Bournville - Key Human and Physical Features. Continents & Oceans.			Use and Create Maps. Use Simple Compass Directions.
Learning Objectives in this Unit	- I can describe the key features of a place from a picture using words like rainforest, hill, mountain, ocean, valley I can name the different layers of a rainforest using the correct terminology I know what a rainforest is and where in the world they are located.		- I can explain how an area has been spoilt or improved and give my reasons I can explain the facilities that a village, town and city may need and give reasons I can name the continents of the world and locate them on a map I can name the world oceans and locate them on a map.			- I can devise a simple map I can use simple compass directions to describe the location of features and routes on a map.
Year 3	Locate World Countries. Compare a Region of the UK with a Region in Europe – Links to Water Cycle.		Intro to Volcanoes and Earthquakes – Link to Rocks in Science.		Fieldwork Using OS Maps, Globes, Computer Mapping and Compasses	
Learning Objectives in this Unit	- I can name and locate the capital cities of neighbouring European countries, including Russia I can locate and name the continents on a World map I can compare a region of the UK with a region in Europe e.g. hilly vs flat I can locate and name the main countries making up the British Isles, with their capital cities.		- I can describe how volcanoes and earthquakes are created I can describe what the water cycle is (excluding transpiration).		- I can use some basic Ordnance Survey map symbols I can use two-figure grid references on a map I know the eight points of a compass I can use an atlas to find particular places I can create a sketch map of the school and its grounds using fieldwork.	

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Year 4		Comparison of UK with North America.	Mountains (UK & Worldwide).	Geographical Skills & Fieldwork Including Globes and Compass Work.	
Learning Objectives in this Unit		- I can locate areas of similar environmental regions, either desert or temperate regions relating to North America I can compare a region in the UK with a region in thorth America with significant differences and similarities.	- I understand the main features of mountains I can explain how mountains are formed I can name some famous mountains around the world and in the UK.	- I can use the eight point of a compass, four figure grid references and symbols and keys (including on OS maps) I can use fieldwork to observe and record the human and physical features in the local area, including sketch maps, plans and graphs. I can use maps, atlases, globes & digital mapping to locate countries.	
Year 5			Compare and Contrast the UK and South America.	Rivers and the Water Cycle.	Fieldwork Including Maps, Atlases, Computer Mapping and Compass Work.
Learning Objectives in this Unit			- I can compare a region in the UK with a region in South America with significant similarities and differences I can locate the main countries in Europe and North or South America and some principle cities.	- I can explain why many cities are situated on or close to rivers I can explain the course of a river. I can explain why people are attracted to live by rivers I can describe the water cycle including transpiration.	- I can use maps, atlases, globes and digital maps to locate countries I can use the eight points of a compass, four-figure grid references, symbols and keys (including OS maps) I can use fieldwork to observe, measure and record human and physical features in the local area using sketch maps, plans, graphs and digital technologies.
Year 6	Comparison of the UK and Modern Greece.		OS Map Work Using Six-figure Grid References. Fieldwork Including a Study of the Local Area Including Maps and Digital Technologies.	Detailed Study of Earthquakes & Volcanoes Including Plate Tectonics and the Ring of Fire. Distribution of Natural Resources.	v
Learning Objectives in this Unit	- I understand the geographical similarities and differences of the human and physical geography between a region of the UK and a European country I understand some of the reasons for the similarities and differences between two regions.		- I can use Ordnance Survey symbols and 6- figure grid references I can explain how land use has changed over time in the local area I can use maps, atlases, globes and computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied I can use fieldwork to observe, measure and record human and physical features in the local area using sketch maps, plans, graphs and digital technologies.	- I understand and can describe how and why volcanoes and earthquakes happen including plate tectonics I understand what the ring of fire is I can describe the distribution of some natural resources, focusing on energy.	