

Whitley Abbey Primary School

Hand in hand we learn

Geography Curriculum

| Curriculum Drivers | | | | | |
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| Possibilities and Citizenship | Reading and Oracy | Health and Wellbeing | Celebrating Diversity | | |
| Our curriculum is designed to promote aspirations by preparing children for a changing world by making links between their learning and careers and opportunities in adult life. The curriculum enables children to make connections between what is learnt in school and open-up possibilities for them in later life. Teachers support children to be good citizens through the development of British Values and the core learning values of; Commitment, Opportunity, Respect and Excellence. | Our curriculum is carefully designed to meet the needs of the children we serve, placing strong emphasis on the development of oracy skills and fluency in reading. At Whitley Abbey, we recognise that strong oracy underpins effective communication, enabling children to express themselves clearly and to understand others with confidence. Reading remains a cornerstone of our curriculum, supporting pupils in developing the independent learning skills they will need to thrive in later life. | Our curriculum is designed to promote children's health, wellbeing and resilience through the promotion of Whitley Character Values, friendship, kindness, courage, resilience, gratitude and honesty. We want our children to make good choices about their own health and wellbeing. Research suggested that better emotional wellbeing is associated with higher achievement in primary school. When children feel safe they are able to better access learning in the classroom. | Our curriculum is designed to celebrate diversity. This means understanding that each individual is unique and recognising and celebrating our individual differences. The concept of diversity encompasses community, acceptance and respect. We foster the exploration of these differences in a safe, positive, and nurturing environment. We believe that by practicing mutual respect for qualities and experiences that are different from our own we build alliances across differences so that we can work together to eradicate all forms of discrimination. | | |

Intent

The purpose of geography teaching at Whitley Abbey Primary School is to inspire children's curiosity and interest to explore the world in which we live and its people, that will ignite a love of learning. We aim to equip children with geographical skills to develop their knowledge through studying places, people and natural and human environments. This will support the development of children's understanding of the Earth's human and physical forms and processes.

Through their work in geography, children learn about their local area and compare their life in this area, with that in other regions of the United Kingdom and in the rest of the world. They learn how to draw and interpret maps and they develop the skills of research, investigation, analysis and problem solving. Through their growing knowledge and understanding of human geography, children gain an appreciation of life in other cultures. Geography teaching also motivates children to find out about the physical world and enables them to recognise the importance of sustainable development for the future of the human race.

Implementation

EYFS

In the Foundation Stage, the learning and development of Geography is taught through the activities and experiences provided in the Knowledge and Understanding of the World area of learning from the Early Years Foundation Stage framework. The knowledge, skills and understanding which children should have gained by the end of the Foundation Stage are laid out in the Early Learning Goals. These experiences and skills prepare the children for work in Y1 onwards.

ELG: People, Culture and Communities Children at the expected level of development will: - Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps; - Know some similarities and differences between different religious and cultural communities in this country, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class; - 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.

| Key Stage 1 | Key Stage 2 |
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| During Key Stage 1, pupils investigate their local area and a | During Key Stage 2, pupils investigate a variety of people, places |
| contrasting area in the United Kingdom or abroad, finding out | and environments in the United Kingdom and abroad, and start to |

about the environment in both areas and the people who live there. They also begin to learn about the wider world. They carry out geographical enquiry inside and outside the classroom. In doing this, they ask geographical questions about people, places and environments, and use geographical skills and resources, such as maps aerial photographs and photographs. make links between different places in the world. They find out how people affect the environment and how they are affected by it. Pupils

carry out geographical enquiry inside and outside the classroom. In doing this, they ask geographical questions, and use geographical skills and resources, such as maps, atlases, aerial photographs and ICT. Children will develop geographical enquiry skills, including asking geographical questions, collecting and recording information and identifying different views. They will acquire the appropriate practical skills associated with Geography, including using suitable vocabulary, fieldwork techniques and maps, plans and atlases. Pupils will use secondary sources of information with accuracy, including aerial photographs, satellite images, etc. As well as making its own distinctive contribution to the school curriculum, geography contributes to the wider aims of primary education. Teachers will ensure that links between subjects are maximized, including history, science and computing.

Staff Development:

Our implementation is developed through secure understanding of the curriculum and subject area. At Whitley Abbey we have created curriculum documents covering the skills and objectives as stated in the National Curriculum. We provide opportunities for deliberate practise of key skills to ensure key learning is imbedded in children's long term memories.

Resources:

Teachers will ensure that geography resources are used to support and enhance teaching of geography. Resources such as Globes, atlases, maps, compasses, measuring equipment (small and large scale), posters, clipboards and online resources, such as Oddizzi will be

used regularly throughout units of work. Geography based topic books will be made available in classrooms when geography units of work are being taught. Geography displays will ensure children have access to key language, vocabulary and meanings. Knowledge organisers are used to help children to remember key knowledge and highlight key vocabulary and its meaning. Teachers organise trips in the local area and further afield to support learning and give learning a context. Teachers support children in making links between their learning in the classroom and careers and opportunities in adult life.

Assessment:

Teachers have a set of key assessment statements that they assess children against in any taught topic. These assessments will inform teachers' termly and end of year assessment and overview of attainment in Geography at the end of the Summer term

Monitoring:

- · Book scrutinies to check coverage of skills and quality
- · Pupil voice/interview
- · Teacher observations

| EYFS | | | | | |
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| Our EYFS curriculum is planned but may be adapted to be responsive to pupil's interests | | | | | |
| Example - Teacher Led experiences Example - Enhanced Provision opportunities linked to Georgr | | | | | |
| Nursery topics | | | | | |
| In the topic 'People Who Help Us' (Year A) children will: | - Provision of simple maps | | | | |
| ~ Engage in people who help us role play. | - Map jigsaws | | | | |
| ~ Have a visit from a key person from a person who helps us. | - Compasses for role play | | | | |
| | - Images of different countries | | | | |
| In the topic 'Oh, I do like to be beside the seaside!' (Year A) children will: | - Field work equipment e.g. magnifying glasses, bug hunt materials | | | | |
| ~ Recognise items they would need to take to the beach with them | Computer resources for early mapping skills and bee bots for directional language | | | | |
| ~ Talk about what they see, using a wide vocabulary. | - Globes | | | | |
| ~ Engage in a dress up day for going to the beach - having awareness of environment/weather | - Artifacts from different places | | | | |
| ~ Pack a bag/suitcase to take to the beach with suitable items | - Music from different countries | | | | |
| | - Food from other countries | | | | |
| Reception topics | - Costumes and clothing from other countries | | | | |
| In the topic 'Getting to Know' children will: | | | | | |
| ~ Recognise key people who work in school. | | | | | |
| In the topic 'Journeys' children will: | | | | | |

~ Talk about a key journey in their own lives, e.g. moving around the classroom. ~ Orally describe a journey within the school grounds. ~ Follow a simple map of the classroom. ~ Recreate a journey linked to a key story e.g. Bear Hunt. ~ Observe physical and human features of the school environment. Vocabulary Assessment Questions Environment, place, quiet, busy, calm, noisy, similar, same, different, old, new, past, present, forwards, Can children describe their environment? backwards, route, move, direction, house, factory, shop, playground, pond, sea, land, beach, map, travel, Can children describe some similarities and differences between where they live and another place? car, bus, plane, train, bicycles, weather (weather related words) Can children describe ways to travel? Can children talk about directions? Can children talk about a way to help to keep the planet safe? Can children describe the weather? Year 1 Term **Autumn Spring** Summer use world maps, atlases and globes Deliberate use simple compass directions (North, South, East and West) and locational a Practice [for example, near and far; left and right], Deliberate practise vocabulary: Plan. map. use aerial photographs and plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic human atlas, globe, place, compass, North, (Skills) devise a simple map; and use and construct basic symbols in a key South, East and West, near and far, use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of their school are left and right and the key human and physical features of its surrounding environment. Hot and cold Places **School Locality** London and UK **Assessment Questions** Assessment questions **Assessment Questions Knowledge** Geography Can children explain what a Augustus Pugin **Assessment** map is? Can children explain what a map is? Can children explain what a Can children explain what a map is used for? Can children explain what a map is? questions: map is used for? Can children find a location on a map? Can children explain what a map is Can children find a location Can children name the 4 compass points? used for? on a map? Can children identify North, East, South Can children find a location on a Can children name the 4 and West on a compass? map? compass points? Can children locate places in a globe or atlas? Can children name the 4 compass Can children identify North, Can children name the seven continents of the world and points? East, South and West on a Can children identify North, East, locate them on a map? compass? South and West on a compass? Can you name the five oceans of the world and locate them Can children identify an Can children identify an aerial aerial photograph? photograph? Can children recognise the difference between the seas and Can children recognise Can children name the countries in some features on an aerial the UK? Can children locate the equator? photograph? Can children use an atlas to locate Can children locate the North and South pole? Can children describe how the countries in the UK? Can children describe what it might be like in a the land used around the Can children name the capital cities

hot/cold country and what they might wear?

| | | school? Can children identify is a symbol on a map? Do children know what a key is? Can children draw a simple map of the school using symbols? | of these countries and locate them on a map? Can children describe the difference between a city, town and village? Can children name some London landmarks? Can children identify why London different to Coventry? Aerial photograph, United Kingdom, England, | | |
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| | Vocabulary | Local area (locality), land use, aerial view, symbol, key, building, field, path, playground | Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, capital city, Belfast, Cardiff, Edinburgh, London, landmarks Human features | America, So Pacific, Indi | Europe, Asia, Africa, Antarctica, North buth America, Australasia, oceans, Atlantic, an, Southern, Arctic, human, physical, hot, or, North and South poles |
| | | | Year 2 | | |
| | Term | Autumn | Spring | | Summer |
| ^ | Deliberate Practice (Skills) | [for example, near and fare use aerial photographs and ple devise a simple map; and use use simple fieldwork and obs | ions (North, South, East and West) and loc | sic human F school an | eliberate practise vocabulary: Plan, map, atlas, globe, Place, compass, North, South, East and West, near and far, left and right |
| Geography | Knowledge Assessment questions: | Whitley Area Assessment Questions | Oceans/ (Atlantic) Assessment Questions Can children explain what a map Can children explain what a map for? Can children find a location on a Can children name the 4 compas | is? is used map? | Coastal sessment Questions Can children explain what a map is? Can children explain what a map is used for? Can children find a location on a map? Can children name the 4 compass |

| Vocabul | ary | East, South and West on compass? Can children name the cacities of the UK Can children tell you thei address? Can children tell you the address of the school? Where is our school? Stree Postcode? What are physical feature. Can you name some phy features in our locality? What are human features: Can you name some hum features in our locality? Can you explain some of advantages and disadvar of living in a city or village. Can you follow a route of using left and right below to? locality, land use, aerial view, symkey, building, landmarks, human features, physical features, urban Key human features city, town, vilfarm, factory, house, office, shop, city, country. Key physical feature wood, hill, river, soil, vegetation, sweather. Prepositions and direction-finding such as, above, around, below, lef forward, near, inside, opposite, ou United Kingdom, island, England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland city, Belfast, Cardiff, Edinburgh, London, landmarks North sea, Irish sea, North Atlantic Ocean, English Channel | eet? es? sical s? nan the ntages pe? f a map v next nbol, , rural. llage, capital es, season, terms ft, right, utside , capital | New York? Can children recognise the difference between seas and oceans? Can children name and locate the 7 continents? Can children provide reasons for why the oceans are important? Can children identify human and physical features? Can children compare the physical and human features of Whitley and New York? Can children compare what it would be like to live in both areas? Can children compare the climate of the UK and New York? Aerial photograph, United Kingdom, island. Physical features; beach, cliff, coast, ocean, sea, river, vegetation Human features – city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, shop, skyscraper, road, railway Continents, Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Africa, Europe, Australasia, Antartica | Can children name some popular seaside towns in the UK and locate them on a map? What do we need to do to protect the environment? seaside, holiday, popular, protect, |
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| _ | | A 1 | | Year 3 | |
| Term | | Autumn | | Spring | Summer |

| | Deliberate Practice (Skills) | use the 8 points of a compass Use 4- and 6-figure grid reference use fieldwork to observe, measur | d digital/computer mapping to locate countries and is es, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance Surve e record and present the human and physical features in at recorded information including: sketch maps, plans and | Deliberate Practise Vocabulary: ty maps) the local Map, digital/computer mapping, physical and human |
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| | | Assessment Questions | Assessment Questions | Assessment Questions |
| | Knowledge Assessment | Climate Zones - | Our Continent | <u>Tremors</u> |
| Geography | questions: | Can children find a country using a map? Can children identify the 8 points of a compass? Can children follow compass directions? Can children recognise some symbols on a map? Can children use a key to find unfamiliar symbols? Can children locate features on a map using 4 figure grid references? Can children say what lines of latitude and longitude are? Can children define weather and climate? Can children locate the Equator, Tropic of Cancer, Tropic of Capricorn and the Greenwich Meridian on a world map/atlas? Can children define Tropics? Can children name the 5 main climate zones and locate them on a map? Can children explain weather patterns in each of the 5 main climate zones? | Can children explain the difference between a map, atlas and globe? Can children name at least eight European countries and locate them on a map? Can children find Greece on a globe or in an atlas? Can children identify the 8 points of a compass? Can children follow compass directions? Can children identify what part of Europe Greece is in? Can children explain five or more differences between living in the UK and a Mediterranean country? Can children identify the main physical features in Greece? Can children identify the main human features in Greece? Can children locate some features on a map using 4 figure grid references? Can children explain what makes Greece so popular to tourists? Can children interpret data to draw conclusions about a country? | Can children use an atlas/digital map to locate volcanoes and earthquake areas? Can children identify the 8 points of a compass? Can children follow compass directions? Can children explain how the Earth is structured? Can children explain what tectonic plates are? Can children explain what causes an earthquake? Can children identify the features of a volcano? Can children name some famous volcanoes and earthquakes and locate them on a map using 4 figure grid references? Can children explain the effects of a volcanic eruption? Can children explain the effects of an earthquake? Can children talk about how people prepare for an earthquake? Can children explain what it is like living near a volcano? |
| | Vocabular | axis, meteorologist, orbit, precipitation | European Countries inc. Greece, landmass, Eurasia, boarder, region, climate, population, inhabitants, | Earthquake, volcano, erupt, dormant, collision, magnitude, meteoric, intensity, tsunami., aftershock, ash cloud, core, |

| | y | (KS1 snow, rain), temperature, weather, weather station, climate, climate zones, Lines of Latitude and longitude, Equator, Northern and Southern hemispheres, season, temperature, temperate, tropical, , arid, polar, Mediterranean, map index, North and South poles | la la | rater, crust, disaster, dormant, fault line, geothermal, ava, magma, mantle, plate, Richter Scale, ridge, slope, ectonic, tremor, tsunami, vent, epicentre plate boundary | | |
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| | Term | Autumn | Spring | Summer | | |
| Geography | Deliberate Practice (Skills) | use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features. Use 4- and 6-figure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps) use fieldwork to observe, measure record and present the human and physical features in the local area use a range of methods to present recorded information including: sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital/computer mapping, physical a human features, North, South, East and We Plan, atlas, globe, place, components. North, South, East and West, North, South, East and West, North, South East North West | | | | |
| | Knowledge | Mountains Assessment Questions | Rainforests David Attenborough <u>Assessment Questions</u> | South America <u>Assessment Questions</u> | | |

| | Vocabulary Term Deliberate | Autumn use maps, atlases, globes and digital use the 8 points of a compass | Rainforest, Equator, continent, Amazon, Congo, tropical, equatorial, sub-equatorial, precipitation, forest floor, emergent, canopy, under storey, deforestation, logging, tribe, biome, ecosystem, indigenous, fell, oxygen, fertile, carbon dioxide, biodiversity. Year 5 Spring /computer mapping to locate countries and desc | Deliberate Practise Vocabulary: |
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|) At | Practice (Skills) | Use 4- and 6-figure grid references, symbols use fieldwork to observe, measure record use a range of methods to present record Sir William Thomson, Lord Kelvin | ical al Map, digital/computer mapping, physical and numan | |
| Geography | Knowledge Assessment questions: | United Kingdom Assessment Questions • Can children use maps/atlases/globes/digital maps name and locate at least eight counties at at least six cities in the UK? | | Can children use maps/atlases/globes/digital maps to name and locate the main |

| | Vocabulary | and keys on a map? Can children explain why industrial areas and ports are important? Can children collect, measure and record fieldwork data? Can children present the recorded data use a range of methods? Can children identify and compare the human features between 2 contrasting are of the UK? Can children identify and compare the physical features between 2 contrasting areas of the UK? County, region, transportation, pollution, congestic conflict, land use, tourism, industry, national park, farming, manufacturing, trade, energy, renewable wind energy, solar power, wind farm, turbine, nucl power. | developing countries? | e con trib | Can children use 4 and 6 figure grid references, symbols and keys on a map? Can children name and label the main features of a river? Can children explain the features of a water cycle? Can children explain why most cities are located by a river? Can children use digital maps to locate a country or place of interest and to follow the journey of a river? Can children collect, measure and record fieldwork data? Can children present the recorded data using a range of methods? Can children define erosion? Can children talk about flood defence strategies? fluence, flood plain, meander, mouth, source, utary, altitude, estuary, lower course, middle rse, upper course, erosion, transportation, now lake, delta, , flood defence |
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| | | power. | Year 6 | | |
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| yhde | Deliberate Practice (Skills) | use maps, atlases, globes and digita use the 8 points of a compass Use 4- and 6-figure grid references, syml use fieldwork to observe, measure record | bols and key (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps) and present the human and physical features in the locaded information including: sketch maps, plans and graphs, | area | Deliberate Practise Vocabulary: Map, digital/computer mapping, physical and human features, North, South, East and West Plan, |
| Geography | Knowledge Assessment questions: | Mexico and UK Assessment Questions Can children use maps/atlases/globes/digital maps to name and locate a number of | Local Area and Region Assessment Questions (Field Study Focus)- May be combined with | • (| Biomes ment Questions Can children explain what is meant by biomes? Can children explain the features of different |

| | North American countries? Can children identify and use the 8 points of a compass? Can children use 6 figure grid references, symbols and keys on a map? Can children identify the key differences between living in the UK and Mexico? Can children talk about time zones and work out differences? Can children present the recorded data using a range of methods? Can children identify and compare the human features between the UK and Mexico? Can children identify and compare the physical features between the UK and Mexico? | Can children use maps/digital maps to locate a region? Can children identify and use the 8 points of a compass? Can children plan and follow a route using 8 points of a compass? Can children use 6 figure grid references, symbols and keys on a map, including OS maps? Can children collect, measure and record fieldwork data? Can children present the recorded data using a range of methods? Can children debate the advantages and disadvantages of our region? Can children suggest ways to improve our local environment? | biomes? Can children use maps/atlases/globes/digital maps to name and locate biomes to name and locate the five major types of biomes? Can children use maps/atlases/globes/digital mapping to locate and name some of the world's deserts? Can children identify and use the 8 points of a compass? Can children use 6 figure grid references, symbols and keys on a map? Can children use graphs to record features such as the effect of global warming? Can children describe the effect of global warming? Can children name some ways in which they can help to prevent global warming? Can children name some of the challenges for humans in each biome? |
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| Vocabulary | Northern hemisphere, latitude, lowlands, agriculture, predominant, sub-tropical zones, temperate zones, colonised, indigenous, populous, sparsely, metropolitan, pesticides. Time zones, Greenwich mean time, international date line. | Urban centre, grid references, ordnance survey, scale, local, regional, national, international, local links: technology, environment, trade, community, culture/leisure, transport. | climate Change ,human pollution, Endurance Antarctic Expedition Explorer, Equator ,Expedition Global Warming, Southern Hemisphere , Pack Ice, Pollution, Inhabit, terrestrial, aquatic, climate, Biomes, tropical rainforest, temperate deciduous forest, desert, tundra, taiga, grassland, savannah, |