

"The study of geography is about more than just memorizing places on a map. It's about understanding the complexity of our world." Barack Obama

	Curriculum Intent
will remain with the	rriculum at FHC is designed to inspire our children to have a curiosity and fascination about the world and its people that m for the rest of their lives. It will equip them with knowledge about diverse places, people, resources and natural and its, together with a deep understanding of the Earth's key physical and human processes.
	Purpose of Study
Understanding the world we live in	We want our Geography curriculum to give our children a greater understanding of the world we live in. Our curriculum begins close to home, and gradually broadens out into the wider world. As children progress through the school they will look further and further afield, as well as looking in greater depth at their local area. We want it to help them recognise the great differences in cultures, economies, landscapes and environments across the world, and exploring the links between them.
Linked to my life	We want our Geography curriculum to give our children a sense of identity and to both provoke and answer questions about the natural world. We want it to develop their knowledge of places and environments throughout the world, develop an understanding of maps, and a range of investigative and problem solving skills that they can use throughout their lives.
Practical Skills	We aim that through our curriculum children will experience a range of hands-on experiences in which they connect, analyse and communicate with a range of data gathered through field work that deepens their understanding of geographical processes. They will use first hand observation and geographical skills, such as mapping, to gain knowledge and practical experience in both physical and human outdoor environments.
Knowledge -	Our Geography progression document clearly sets out the progression of skills from EYFS to Year 6 and through this our children will build their knowledge of the world, debate the matters that will affect their lives and learn to analyse facts in order to contribute creatively to the world. Their growing knowledge about the world helps children understand the interaction between physical and human processes, and the formation and use of landscapes and environments.
Assessment and reco Entry task: Exit task: Recording for revisit	rding for long term knowledge retention: ing:

Geography Curriculum AC



Summary of Progression								
FS1	FS2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Location and Place	Knowledge	·	•	•	•	·		
Know that there are different countries in the world and talk about the differences they have experienced or seen in real life.	 Recognise some environments that are different to the one in which they live. Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this county and life in other countries which are relevant to the children in the cohort or the children's interests. 	 Locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the UK. Introduce the seven continents and five oceans of the world. 	 Name and locate the world's seven oceans and five continents. Locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the UK and surrounding seas. Understand the 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. 	Can locate countries of Europe and identify key physical and human characteristics. • Know the position and significance of the Equator, the Tropic of Cancer and the Tropic of Capricorn. • Compare a region of the UK with a desert region, e.g. Identify similarities and differences between this region and a region of the UK.	 Can locate world's countries North and South America and can identify key physical and human characteristics. Name and locate counties and cities of the UK, geographical regions and identify key characteristics. Understand the difference between the Northern and Southern hemisphere. Understand the term 'climate zones' and identify some differing ones. Touch upon global warming and its implications. 	• Identify the position and significance of latitude, longitude, equator and key geographical terms.	 Use 8 points of the compass. 6 figure grid references. Use ordnance survey to name and locate the key topographical features including coast, features of erosion, hills, mountains and rivers. Understand how these features have changed over time. 	
Explore their local	Help children to	Understand	 Identify the 	Understand	Understand	Describe key	• Earthguakes/	
environment	find out about the environment by talking to people, examining photographs and simple maps and visiting local places. • Explore and investigate their local environment	human and physical geography of the UK. • Identify and describe what places are like and where they are. • Recognise how places have become the way they are	location of hot and cold areas in the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles. • Identify the human and physical features of the two localities studied.	geographical similarities and differences through studying human and physical geography of the UK and a contrasting non- European country. • Describe key physical features, river, mountain,	 geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography. Use a range of given secondary sources – texts, images, aerial 	 because key physical features: river, mountain, breach etc., and key human features, e.g. city, harbour, industry. Question and challenge stereotypes, unfair distribution of resources, 	natural disasters – floods, hurricanes tsunamis: o Describe and explain the processes that cause natural disasters. o Draw conclusions about the impact of natural disasters through the study of	



					1
and how they are	 Recognise changes 	beach etc. and key	photos, stories,	opportunity and	photographs,
changing.	in the environment,	human features, e.g.	videos etc.	wealth.	population numbers
 Recognise how 	how the	city, harbour,	 Whilst studying 	 Use range of given 	and other primary
places compare with	environment may be	industry.	history/historical	secondary sources –	sources. Consider if
other places, and	improved and these	 Identify and 	figures or groups,	texts, images, aerial	global warming is
how they are linked	improvements	describe what	why did they choose	photos, stories,	having an adverse
to other places in	sustained.	places are like.	to settle where they	videos etc.	impact on the
the world.	 Identify and 	Know locations of	did? What were	 Develop use of 	occurrence of
 Make observations 	describe what	places and	their settlements	secondary sources,	natural disasters.
about where things	places are like and	environments they	like? How did they	use them to ask and	Consider, connect
are located.	where they are.	study and other	use the land and	respond to	and analyse
Recognise changes	 Recognise how 	significant places	how has land use	questions.	different viewpoints
in physical and	places have become	and environments.	changed today?	Gather data for	and perspectives to
human features.	the way they are	 To describe where 	How is that different	use as primary	aid decision making.
 Identify seasonal 	and how they are	places are and why	today?	source.	 Study of volcanoes
and daily weather	changing.	they are like they	 Identify and 	 Select and use a 	– causes, effects etc:
patterns in the	 Recognise how 	are. Identify how	describe what	wider variety of	o Locate places in
United Kingdom.	places compare with	places change and	places are like.	primary and	the world,
-	other places, and	how they may	Know locations of	secondary sources.	communicate in
	how they are linked	change in the	places and	 Identify and 	different ways, e.g.
	to other places in	future.	environments they	describe what	draw diagrams,
	the world.	 Describe and 	study and other	places are like.	produce writing and
		explain how and	significant places	Know locations of	use the correct
		why places are	and environments.	places and	vocabulary.
		similar to / different	Describe where	environments they	o Ask and answer
		from other places in	places are and why	study and other	questions about the
		the same country	they are like they	significant places	effects of volcanoes.
		and elsewhere in	are. Identify how	and environments.	 Study of land and
		the world.	places change and	Describe where	settlements pre and
		 Recognise how 	how they may	places are and why	post war and pre
		places fit within a	change in the	they are like they	and post industrial
		wider geographical	future.	are. Identify how	revolution
		context and are	Describe and	places change and	compared to
		interdependent.	explain how and	how they may	modern day;
			why places are	change in the	compare and reflect:
			similar to / different	future.	o Draw conclusions
			from other places in	Describe and	and develop
			the same country	explain how and	informed reasons
			and elsewhere in	why places are	for the changes.
			the world.	similar to / different	tor the changes.
			the world.	sinnar to / unrerent	

Geography Curriculum (HC



Fieldwork, collecting and recording data	e and y ibe and and re ifferent laces in untry re in w hin a ophical are ent. d ons for ontext ent.
Explore their local• Help children to• Carry out simple• Make simple• Carry out a simpleCarry out teacher• Carry out	
environment find out about the teacher led observations about questionnaire or use led investigations investigations such questions, e.	
environment by investigations such key human and pre-determined such as identifying as identifying types howwhyw	/hat
talking to people, as identifying types physical features, questions to help types of buildings in buildings in their whenhow	
examining of buildings in their simple sketches and collect data their wider locality.	·
photographs and locality. digital technologies. Undertake	

Geography Curriculum AC



simple maps and	 Make simple 	 Complete 	environmental	 Make observations 	 Make observations 	 Communicate
visiting local places.	observations about	fieldwork in the	surveys.	about key human	about key human	findings via maps,
 Explore and 	key human and	school locality, e.g.	 Use simple 	and physical	and physical	writing.
investigate their	physical features,	create a chart,	equipment and	features, sketches	features, simple	 Draw detailed
local environment	simple sketches and	record information	instruments to	and digital	sketches and digital	sketch maps and
 Experience 	digital technologies.	on a school plan.	measure and record,	technologies.	technologies.	field sketches with
different weather	 Complete 	 Take a short 	e.g. weather	 Complete 	features	annotations of
conditions	fieldwork in the	journey etc by bus	equipment.	fieldwork in the	 Complete 	pattern, process and
 Examine and 	school grounds, e.g.	to note contrast	Complete	school locality and	fieldwork in the	change.
discuss natural	create a chart,	with local area	fieldwork in the	present results, e.g.	wider UK, e.g. create	 Explore economic
objects	record information	 Visit a park or 	school locality, e.g.	create a chart,	a chart, record	trade vs
 Use small world 	on a school plan.	green space and	create a chart,	record information	information on a	sustainability e.g.
play	 Investigate 	observe physical,	record information	on a school plan,	school plan.	how is food
Sequence	weather conditions	human features	on a school plan,	produce graphs,	 Carry out a 	produced and road
photographs	and make simple	Complete	simple field	maps etc.	questionnaire to	miles
• Draw a map	measurements	fieldwork in the	sketching skills.	• Carry out a	collect and record.	 Use fieldtrip to
 Survey cars etc 	Observe and	school grounds, e.g.	Use school	questionnaire or use	 Use equipment 	look at rural areas in
	record seasonal	create a chart,	grounds for studying	pre-determined	and instruments to	contrast to urban in
	change	record information	physical human	questions to help	measure and record,	terms of physical
	Visit local facilities,	on a school plan.	features • Use rain	collect and record.	e.g. weather	and human features.
	shops etc		gauges,	 Gather data for 	equipment.	
			thermometers etc to	use as primary	Develop field	
			record weather and	source.	sketching skills	
			note patterns	 Develop field 	complete with	
			 Investigate local 	sketching skills	annotation.	
			buildings and land	complete with	 Carry out a 	
			use	annotation.	, fieldwork survey and	
			 Investigate 	 Begin to analyse 	present results, e.g.	
			economic activities	field data through	graphs, maps.	
			such as visit a shop	graphing etc.	Respond to	
				8	questions such as	
					how can we use our	
					school to reduce	
					plastic waste?	
					• Field study visit to	
					beach to look at	
					human and physical	
					naman and physical	
		1		1		





Using and creating	maps						
Using and creating To be able to make meaningful maps • Make a map of Rosie's walk	• Draw information from a simple map • Create maps (messy maps, big maps, story maps)	 Use globes, maps and atlases. Start to make simple pictorial maps and plans. Follow directions – near, far, left and right. Use compass directions: north, east, south, west. Draw simple maps and use symbols either own or class symbols 	 Use globes, maps and atlases. Make simple pictorial maps and plans. Follow directions – near, far, left and right. Draw simple maps and use symbols either own or class symbols Recognize simple OS symbols Begin to use birds eye view maps 	 Recap using maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping (Google Earth) to locate the countries of Europe, including Russia. Look at the environmental regions of Europe (different areas defined by their environmental conditions, such as climate, landforms, soil etc). Understand the 8 compass points and use them to explain/identify points on a map. Draw maps including key & scale. Use oblique and aerial views Give maps title Use aerial maps to talk about places 	 Look at a range of scales using standard measure. Use letter and number coordinates. Draw maps including key and scale using different perspectives – birds' eye, linear, oblique. Use globes, atlases and maps to find places and make deductions about landscape, industry, features etc. Use OS maps at different scales. Begin to use 4 figure grid references. Use the eight points of a compass. Begin to select and create appropriate map resources to find and show detailed linformation. Use computer/digital mapping applications. 	 Use OS maps at different scales. Select and create appropriate map resources to find and show detailed Information. Use satellite Images, GIS and VR to explore distant locations. Take digital photographs and label Conduct a transect to observe changes in buildings and land use. Use key ans scale Follow a route on a 1:50000 map 	 Use satellite images to explore distant locations. On a world map locate the main countries in Africa, Asia and Australasia/Oceania Identify their main environmental regions, key physica and human characteristics, and major cities. Identify main capital cities/oceans etc. Understand the significance of latitude and longitude. Use and create digital mapping. Use OS maps at different scales. Record data on large scale maps using correct OS symbols Follow map for orienteering

Geography Curriculum AC



Environmental impa	act						
Observe the	 Understand the 	 Recognise changes 	 Recognise changes 	 Recognise how 	 Recognise how 	 Recognise how 	 Recognise how
changing seasons •	effect on changing	in the environment,	in the environment,	people can improve	people can improve	people can improve	people can improve
Observe the	seasons on the	how the	how the	the environment or	the environment or	the environment or	the environment or
weather	natural world	environment may be	environment may be	damage it, and how	damage it, and how	damage it, and how	damage it, and how
• Begin to	around them.	improved, and these	improved and these	decisions about	decisions about	decisions about	decisions about
understand the	 Explore and 	improvements	improvements	places and	places and	places and	places and
need to respect and	investigate the	sustained.	sustained.	environments affect	environments affect	environments affect	environments affect
care for the natural	changing weather	 Investigate litter of 	 Investigate 	the quality and	the quality and	the quality and	the quality and
environment and all	 Understand the 	'dog poo' in local	pollution,	future quality of	future quality of	future quality of	future quality of
living things.	need to respect and	area.	improvements since	people's lives.	people's lives.	people's lives.	people's lives.
	care for the natural		Victorian times,	 Study trade and 	 Study the effects 	 Study plastics in 	 Study affect of
	environment and all		pollution now.	food miles,	of deforestation	the oceans	climate change on
	living things.			comparing, look at			natural disasters.
				seasonal food and			
				impact of imports.			



Overview of Topics

Year Groups	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
FS1	Seasons (observations to be done throughout the year)		Explore the local environment (including map work)			
FS2	Seasons and weather (observations to be done throughout the year)			Compare the UK to another country		Find out about the local area (including map work)
Year 1	UK on the map	Leeds on the map			Polar regions	
Year 2		Comparison study (a small area of the UK and of a small area in a contrasting non- European country).			Hot and cold places	
Year 3			Comparison study (a region of the UK with a desert region).	Europe on the map		Food Trade – Farm to fork (and its environmental impact)
Year 4	Places in the world (Americas and UK)		The geography of Whinmoor & Robins Hood Bay	Rainforests		
Year 5			The waters of the UK		The Americas	
Year 6				Natural Disasters	Maps	