St Edward's Catholic First School Geography Progression 2023-2024

Working at the Expected Standard in Geography

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Locational Knowledge	Identify land and water on a map or globe.
_	Talk about what they can see, hear and feel
	whilst outside.
	Recognise some environments which are
	different from the one in which they live.
	Understand that some places are special to
	members of their community.
	Understand some vocabulary to describe
	different bodies of water, even if used
	inaccurately (sea/ocean, lake, river, pond).
	Understand that water is represented
	usually in blue on a map or globe.
	Talk about their school by name and name
	the place they live.
	Describe the characteristics of different
	places, even if used inaccurately, (hill, field,
	building, road, house, old).
Place Knowledge	Recognise some environments which are
	different from the one in which they live.
	Recognise some similarities and differences
	between life in this country and life in other
	countries.
	Talk about how environments in stories and
	pictures are different to the environment
	they live in.
	Recognise that places within this country
	can differ from each other.
	Recognise that there are differences
	between places in this country and places
	in other countries.
Human and physical geography	Observe weather across the seasons.
	Observe and talk about the effect the
	changing seasons have on the world.
	Talk about the seasons in the correct order.
	Make observations about the features of
	places (in stories, photographs or in the
	school grounds/local area).
	Talk about some of the key characteristics
	of each season.

	Understand that there are four seasons in a
	year.
Geographical skills and fieldwork	Ask questions about the world.
	Talk and the features they see in the school
	and school grounds.
	Answer questions, guided by the teacher.
	Draw some of the features they notice in
	their school and school grounds.
	Express their likes and dislikes about a
	specific place and its features, beginning to
	explain their reasoning.
	Look at and talk about maps 9real or
	imaginary) in stories, non-fiction books,
	atlases and on globes.
	Draw real or imaginary maps and add
	features to them.
	Understand that a map is a picture of a
	place.
	Recognise how to describe directions
	near, far, next to, close by, behind).
Cause and consequence	Understand that their actions in play can
	cause something to happen.
Similarities and differences	Recognise similarities and differences
	between the past and today.
	Using their observations of photographs
	and stories to compare the past with the
	present day.

<u>Year 1</u>	
Chronology	Understand that a timeline shows the order
	events in the past happened.
	Be aware that we start by looking at 'now'
	on a timeline then look back at past events.
	Understand that 'the past' is events that
	have already happened.
	Describe 'the present' as time that is
	happening now.
	Understand that within living memory is
	100 years.
	Understand that beyond living memory is
	more than 100 years ago.
	Sequence three or four events in their own
	life.

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	Use vocabulary to describe time: now, long ago, in the past, before, after, next, then.
	Sequence three or four artefacts or
	photographs from different periods of time.
	Add a sequence of events to a timeline.
	Listen to historical stories.
Achievements and poor decisions	Understand that some inventions still
	influence their lives today.
	Recognise some achievements and
	discoveries of important individuals.
Change and continuity	Understand that some things have changed
	and some things have stayed the same in
	their lives.
	Describe changes and ideas/objects which
	have stayed the same.
	Talk about how some things changes but
	others stay the same and some things are
	new.
	Understand that people change as they
	grow older.
	Understand that everyday objects can alter
	over time.
Cause and consequence	Ask questions about why things happen
	and begin to explain why with support.
	Understand that everyday objects have
	changed as new materials have been
	invented.
Similarities and differences	Talk about differences and similarities.
	Identify some similarities and differences
	between the past and their own lives.
	Understand that some people celebrate
	important events in different ways.
	Understand that everyday objects have
	similarities and differences with those used
	for the same purpose in the past.

<u>Year 1</u>	
Locational Knowledge	Name and locate two of the world's seven
-	continents on a world map (Europe and
	Asia).
	Name and locate two of the world's oceans
	(Atlantic Ocean and Pacific Ocean) on a
	world map.
	Show on a map which continent they live
	on.
	Understand that a continent is a group of
	countries.
	Understand that they live in the continent
	of Europe.
	Understand that an ocean is a large body of
	water.
	Locate the four countries of the United
	Kingdom on a map.
	Show on a map where they live and talk
	about which country the live in and find its
	capital city.
	Understand that the U.K. is short for
	'United Kingdom'.
	Understand that a country is a land or
	nation with its own government.
Place Knowledge	Recognise some key similarities between
	their area and a small area of a contrasting
	non-European country.
	Recognise some key differences between
	their local area and a small area of a
	contrasting non-European country.
	Understand that life in other parts of the
	world and is often different to ours.
	Understand that life in other parts of the
	world may have similarities to ours.
Human and physical geography	Describe how the weather changes with
	each season in the U.K.
	Describe the daily weather patterns in your
	local area.
	Talk about 'seasons' and 'weather'
	confidently.
	Recognise the four seasons of the U.K.
	Understand that 'weather' refers to the
	conditions outside at a particular time.
	Understand that different parts of the U.K.
	often experience different weather.

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	Understand that a weather forecast is
	when someone tries to predict what the
	weather will be like in the near future.
	Understands that weather conditions can
	be measured and recorded.
	Recognise some physical features in their
	locality.
	Understand that physical features means
	any feature of an area that is on the Earth
	naturally.
	Recognise some human features in their
	locality.
	Understand that human features means
	any feature of an area which was made or
	built by humans.
Geographical skills and fieldwork	Asking and answering questions about the
Geographical skills and heldwork	
	features of their school and school grounds.
	Drawing some features which they notice in
	their school and school grounds.
	Talking about their feelings towards a
	specific place and explaining why they
	like/dislike some of its features.
	Use an atlas to locate the U.K. and the four
	countries.
	Use an atlas to locate the four capital cities
	of the U.K.
	Use an atlas to locate the Atlantic Ocean
	and Pacific Ocean.
	Use directional language to describe the
	locational of objects in the classroom and
	playground.
	Respond to instructions using directional
	language to follow routes.
	Use the compass points (N, S, E, W) to
	describe the location of features on a map.
	Recognise local landmarks on aerial
	photographs.
	Recognise basic human features on aerial
	photographs.
	Recognise basic physical features on aerial
	photographs.
	Draw maps and use pictures and symbols,
	adding labels to sketch maps.
	Use maps to move around school.
	Understand that an aerial photograph is a
	photograph taken from the air above.

Understand that atlases give information
about the world and that a map tells us
information about a place.
Understand that a map is a picture of a
place, usually drawn from above.
Recognise that symbols are often on maps
to represent features.
Understand simple directional language 9
for example, near, far, close, up, down, left,
right, forwards, backwards).
Understand what a sketch map is.

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	events in the past happened.
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	on a timeline then look back at past events.
	Understand that 'the past' is events that
	have already happened.
	Describe 'the present' as time that is
	happening now.
	Understand that within living memory is
	100 years.
	Understand that beyond living memory is
	more than 100 years ago.
	Sequence three or four events in their own
	life.
	Use vocabulary to describe time: now, long
	ago, in the past, before, after, next, then.
	Sequence three or four artefacts or
	photographs from different periods of time.
	Add a sequence of events to a timeline.
	Listen to historical stories.
Achievements and poor decisions	Understand that some inventions still
	influence their lives today.
	Recognise some achievements and
	discoveries of important individuals.
Change and continuity	Understand that some things have changed
	and some things have stayed the same in
	their lives.
	Describe changes and ideas/objects which
	have stayed the same.

	Talk about how some things changes but others stay the same and some things are new.
	Understand that people change as they grow older.
	Understand that everyday objects can alter over time.
Cause and consequence	Ask questions about why things happen and begin to explain why with support.
	Understand that everyday objects have changed as new materials have been invented.
Similarities and differences	Talk about differences and similarities. Identify some similarities and differences between the past and their own lives.
	Understand that some people celebrate important events in different ways.
	Understand that everyday objects have similarities and differences with those used for the same purpose in the past.

Year 2	
Locational Knowledge	Locate all of the world's seven continents
G	on a world map.
	Locate the world's five oceans on a world
	map.
	Locate on a map the oceans nearest the
	continent they live in.
	Name the seven continents of the world.
	Name the five oceans of the world.
	Locate the surrounding seas and oceans of
	the U.K. on a map.
	Locate the capital cities of the four
	countries of the U.K. on a map.
	Identify characteristics (both human and
	physical) of the four capital cities of the
	U.K.
	Show on a map the town or village where
	they live in relation to London.
	Understand that a sea is a body of water
	that is smaller than an ocean.
	Recognise and name the four bodies of
	water surrounding the U.K.
	Understand that a capital city is the city
	where a country's government is located.
Place Knowledge	Describe and explain some key similarities
	between their local area and a small area of
	contrasting non-European country.
	Describe and explain some key differences
	between their local area and a small area of
	contrasting non-European country.
	Describe what physical features may occur
	in a hot place in comparison to a cold place.
Human and physical geography	Identify and locate hot and cold areas on a
	world map.
	Identify the Equator and the North and
	South Pole on a world map.
	Understand that the Equator is an
	imaginary line around the middle of the
	Earth.
	Understand that, because it is the widest
	part of the Earth, the Equator is much
	closer to the sun than the North and South
	poles.
	Understand that the North Pole is the
	northernmost point of the Earth and the

	South Pole is the southernmost point of the Earth.
	Understand that different parts of the
	world experience different weather
	conditions and that these are often caused
	by the location of the place.
	Describe the key physical features of a
	coast.
	Understand that coasts (and other physical
	features) change over time.
	Recognise some key physical features of
	the U.K.
	Describe and understand the differences
	between a city, a town and a village.
	Describe the key human features of a
	coastal town.
	Understand that human features change
	over time.
Geographical skills and fieldwork	Recognise that there are different ways to
Geographical skills and heldwork	
	answer a question.
	Discuss the features they see in the area
	surrounding their school when on a walk.
	Ask and answer questions about human
	and physical features of the area
	surrounding school.
	Collect quantitative data through a small
	survey of the local area/study to answer an
	enquiry question.
	Take digital photographs of geographical
	features.
	Make digital audio recordings when
	interviewing someone.
	Presenting data in tally charts or
	pictograms.
	Asking and answering simple questions
	about data.
	Recognise why maps need a title.
	Use an atlas to locate cities, continents and
	Oceans.
	Use locational language and the compass
	points (N, S, E, W) to describe the locations
	of features on a map.
	Use locational language and the compass
	points (N, S, E, W) to describe the route on
	a map.
	Using a map to follow a prepared route.

Recognise landmarks of a city studied on
aerial photographs and plan perspectives.
Recognise human features on aerial
photographs and plan perspectives.
Recognise physical features on aerial
photographs and plan perspectives.
Draw a map using class agreed symbols to
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make a simple key.
Find a given OS symbol on a map with
support.
Understand that a globe is a spherical
model of the Earth.
Recognise world maps as a flattened globe.
Understand that a compass is an
instrument which we can use to find which
direction is north.
Recognise which direction N, S, E, W is on a
map.
Understand that maps need a key to
explain what the symbols and colours
represent.
Understand that an interview can be a way
to find out people's views about their area.
Recognise that a tally chart is a way of
collecting data quickly.
Understand that a pictogram is a chart
which uses pictures to show data.

Year 3			
Locational Knowledge	Understand where North and South		
	America are on a world map.		
	Know the names of some countries and		
	major cities in Europe and North and South		
	America.		
	know the names of some of the world's		
	most significant rivers,		
	Understand that climate zones are parts of		
	the world with similar climates.		
	Know the world's different climate zones		
	(equatorial, tropical, hot desert, temperate		
	and polar).		
	Describe how a locality has changed over		
	time, giving examples of both physical and		
	human features.		
	Locate some countries in Europe and South		
	America using maps.		
	Locating some of the major cities of the		
	countries studied.		
	Recognising some key physical features in		
	countries studied.		
	Describe how a locality has changed over		
	time, giving examples of both physical and		
	human features.		
	Know the names of some of the counties in		
	the U.K. (local to your school) Know the names of some of the cities in the		
	U.K. (Local to your school)		
	Know the name of the county that they live		
	in and their closest city.		
	Know that countries near the Equator have		
	less seasonal change than those near the		
	poles.		
	Understand that the Equator is a line of		
	latitude indicating the hottest places on		
	Earth and splitting our globe into the		
	Northern and Southern Hemispheres.		
Place Knowledge	Describe and begin to explain similarities		
	between two regions studied.		
	Describe and begin to explain differences		
	between two regions studied.		
	Describe how and why humans have		
	responded in different ways to their local		
	environments.		

	Talk about how climates have an impact on	
	trade, land use and settlement.	
Human and physical geography	Describe how rivers are formed.	
	Describe and explain how physical features	
	such as rivers have an impact upon the	
	surrounding landscape and communities.	
	Describe how humans use water in a	
	variety of ways.	
	To know the water cycle is the processes	
	and stores which move water around our	
	Earth and to be able to name these.	
	To know the courses and key features of a	
	river.	
	To know the world's different climate	
	zones.	
	To know that climates can influence the	
	foods able to grow.	
	Describe and understand types of	
	settlements and land use.	
	Explain why a settlement and community	
	has grown in a particular location.	
	Explain why different locations have	
	different human features.	
	Explain why people might prefer to live in	
	an urban or rural place.	
	Describe how humans can impact the	
	environment both positively and	
	negatively.	
	Know the main types of land use.	
	Know the different types of settlement.	
	Know water is used by humans in a variety	
	of ways.	
	Know that a natural resource is something	
	that people can use which comes from the	
	natural environment.	
	Know the threats to the rainforest both on	
	a local and global scale.	
	Know that fair trading is the process of	
	ensuring workers are paid a fair price, have	
	safe working conditions and are treated	
	with respect and equality.	
	Know that the U.K. grows food locally and	
	imports food from other countries.	
Geographical skills and fieldwork	Beginning to choose the best approach to	
	answer an enquiry question.	

Name of the state
Mapping land use in a small local area using maps and plans
Planning for how they wish to collect data
to answer an enquiry-based question, with
the support of a teacher.
Asking and answering one- step and two-
step geographical questions.
Observing, recording, and naming
geographical features in their local
environments
Using simple sampling techniques
appropriately.
Making digital audio recordings for a
specific purpose.
Designing a questionnaire / interviews to
collect quantitative fieldwork data.
Taking digital photos and labelling or
captioning them.
Making annotated sketches, field drawings
and freehand maps to record observations
during fieldwork.
Beginning to use a simplified Likert Scale to
record their judgements of environmental
quality.
Using a questionnaire/interviews to collect
qualitative fieldwork data.
Presenting data using plans, freehand
sketch maps, annotated drawings, graphs,
presentations, writing and digital
technologies when communicating
geographical information.
Suggesting different ways that a locality
could be changed and improved.
Finding answers to geographical questions
through data collection.
Analysing and presenting quantitative data
in charts and graphs.
Beginning to use maps at more than one
scale.
Using atlases, maps, globes, satellite images
and beginning to use digital mapping to
locate countries studied.
Using atlases, maps, globes and beginning
to use digital mapping to recognise and
describe physical features and human
features in countries studied.
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To understand that a scale shows how	
much smaller a map is compared to real life	
To recognise world maps as a flattened	
globe.	
To know that an OS map shows human and	
physical features as symbols.	
To know that grid references help us locate	
a particular square on a map.	
To know what a bar chart, pictogram and	
table are and when to use which one best	
to represent data.	

<u>Year 4</u>			
Locational Knowledge	Locating the world's most significant		
	mountain ranges on a world map and		
	identifying any patterns.		
	Locating where the world's volcanoes are		
	on a map and identifying the 'Ring of Fire'.		
	Locating some of the world's most		
	significant rivers and identifying any		
	patterns.		
	To know the names of some of the world's		
	most significant mountain ranges.		
	To know that mountains, volcanoes and		
	earthquakes largely occur at plate		
	boundaries.		
	To know that climate zones are areas of the		
	world with similar climates.		
	To know the world's different climate zones		
	(equatorial, tropical, hot desert, temperate		
	and polar).		
	To know that biomes are areas of world		
	with similar climates, vegetation and		
	animals.		
	To know the world's biomes.		
	To know vegetation belts are areas of the		
	world which are home to similar plant		
	species.		
	To know the name of some counties in the		
	UK (local to your school).		
	To know the name of some cities in the UK		
	(local to your school).		
	To know the name of the county that they		
	live in and their closest city.		
	To begin to name the twelve geographical		
	regions of the UK.		
	To know the main types of land use.		
	To know some types of settlement.		

	To know that countries near the Equator
	have less seasonal change than those near
	the poles.
	To know that the Equator is a line of
	latitude indicating the hottest places on
	Earth and splitting our globe into the
	Northern and Southern Hemispheres.
	To know lines of longitude are invisible
	lines on the globe that determine how far
	east or west a location is from the Prime
	Meridian.
	To know lines of latitude are invisible lines
	on the globe that determine how far north
	or south a location is from the Equator.
	To know the Tropics of Cancer and
	Capricorn are lines of latitude and mark the
	equatorial region; the countries with the
	hottest climates.
	To know the Northern and Southern
	hemisphere are 'halves' of the Earth, above
	and below our Equator and have alternate
	seasons to each other.
	To know the boundaries of the polar
	regions are marked by the invisible lines the
	Arctic and Antarctic circle.
	To know the patterns of daylight in the
	Arctic and Antarctic circle and the
Diago Knowlodgo	Equatorial regions.
Place Knowledge	Talk about how climates have an impact on
	trade, land use and settlement.
	Explain what measures humans have taken
	in order to adapt to survive in cold places.
	Describe and explain how people who live
	in a contrasting physical area may have
	different lives to people in the UK.
	To know the negative effects of living near
	a volcano.
	To know the positive effects of living near a
	volcano.
	To know the negative effects an earthquake
	can have on a community.
	To know ways in which communities
	respond to earthquakes.
Human and physical geography	Mapping and labelling the seven biomes on
	a world map.
	Understanding some of the causes of
	climate change.

	Describing where valences conthevales		
	Describing where volcanoes, earthquakes		
	and mountains are located globally.		
	To know the different types of mountains		
	and volcanoes and how they are formed.		
	To know that an earthquake is the intense		
	shaking of the ground.		
	To know that a biome is a region of the		
	globe sharing a similar climate, landscape,		
	vegetation and wildlife. To know the world's biomes.		
	To know that the hottest biomes are fou		
	between the Tropics of Cancer and		
	Capricorn.		
	To know that climate zones are areas of the		
	world with similar climates.		
	To know the world's different climate		
	zones.		
	To know that climates can influence the		
	foods able to grow.		
	Describing and understanding types of		
	settlement and land use.		
	Explain why a settlement and community		
	has grown in a particular location.		
	Explain why different locations have		
	different human features.		
	Explain why people might prefer to live in		
	an urban or rural place.		
	Describe how humans can impact the		
	environment both positively and		
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	negatively, using examples.		
	To know the main types of land use.		
	To know the different types of settlement.		
	To know an urban place is somewhere near		
	a town or city.		
	To know a rural place is somewhere near		
	the countryside.		
	To know that a natural resource is		
	something that people can use which		
	comes from the natural environment.		
	To know the UK grows food locally and		
	imports food from other countries.		
Geographical skills and fieldwork	Beginning to choose the best approach to		
	answer an enquiry question.		
	Mapping land use in a small local area using		
	maps and plans.		

Planning for how they wish to collect data	
to answer an enquiry-based question, with	
the support of a teacher.	
Asking and answering one- step and two-	
step geographical questions.	
Observing, recording, and naming	
geographical features in their local	
environments	
Using simple sampling techniques	
appropriately.	
Making digital audio recordings for a	
specific purpose.	
Designing a questionnaire / interviews to	
collect quantitative fieldwork data.	
Taking digital photos and labelling or	
captioning them.	
Making annotated sketches, field drawings	
and freehand maps to record observations	
during fieldwork.	
Beginning to use a simplified Likert Scale to	
record their judgements of environmental	
quality.	
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Beginning to use maps at more than one	
scale.	
Using atlases, maps, globes, satellite images	
and beginning to use digital mapping to	
locate countries studied.	
Using atlases, maps, globes and beginning	
to use digital mapping to recognise and	
describe physical features and human	
features in countries studied.	
Using the scale bar on a map to estimate	
distances.	

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Finding countries and features of countries	
in an atlas using contents and index.	
Zooming in and out of a digital map.	
Beginning to use the key on an OS map to	
name and recognise key physical and	
human features in regions studied.	
Accurately using 4-figure grid references to	
locate features on a map in regions studied.	
Beginning to locate features using the 8	
points of a compass.	
Using a simple key on their own map to	
show an example of both physical and	
human features.	
Following a route on a map with some	
accuracy.	
Saying which directions are N, S, E, W on an	
OS map.	
Making and using a simple route on a map.	
Labelling some features on an aerial	
photograph and then locating these on an	
OS map of the same locality and scale in	
regions studied.	
To understand that a scale shows how	
much smaller a map is compared to real	
life.	
To recognise world maps as a flattened	
globe.	
To know that an OS (Ordnance survey) map	
is used for personal use and organisations	
use it for housing projects, planning the	
natural environment and public transport	
and for security purposes.	
To know that an OS map shows human and	
physical features as symbols.	
To know that grid references help us locate	
a particular square on a map.	
To know the eight points of a compass are	
north, south, east, west, north-east, south-	
east, north-west, south-west.	
To know the main types of land use	
(agricultural, residential, recreational,	
commercial, industrial and transportation).	
To know an enquiry-based question has an	
open-ended answer found by research.	
To know how to use various simple	
sampling techniques.	

To know what a questionnaire and an	
interview are.	
To know that quantitative data involves	
numerical facts and figures and is often	
objective.	
To know that an annotated drawing or	
sketch map is hand drawn and gives a	
rough idea of features of an area without	
having to be completely accurate.	
To know a Likert scale is used to record	
people's feelings and attitudes.	
To know that qualitative data involves	
opinions, thoughts and feelings and is often	
subjective.	
To know what a bar chart, pictogram and	
table are and when to use which one best	
to represent data.	