

Geography

Intent & Implementation

At Wingrave Church of England School, we believe that all children can be geographers. We aim to deliver a high-quality geography curriculum which should inspire a curiosity and fascination about the world around them and its people. The curriculum enables children to develop knowledge and progressive skills that are transferable to other curriculum areas and which can and are used to promote their spiritual, moral, social and cultural development. Our teaching equips pupils with knowledge about places and people; resources in the environment; physical and human processes; formation and use of landscapes. We aspire for all children to develop geographical skills: collecting and analysing data; using maps, globes, aerial photographs and digital mapping to name and identify countries, continents and oceans; and communicating information in a variety of ways.

We want children to enjoy and love learning about geography by gaining knowledge and skills, not just through experiences in the classroom, but also with the use of fieldwork outside of the classroom. The aim, ultimately for children to be inspired geographers and allow children to know more, remember more and understand more.

Geography is taught across the school on a two – year cycle. It is taught through the termly topic focusing on the knowledge and skills stated in the National Curriculum. Each topic will include elements to teach the children locational and place knowledge, aspects of human and physical geography as well as developing a range of geographical skills and fieldwork. The curriculum is designed to build on the children's prior learning/ skills and to widen their knowledge of world from their immediate surroundings and locality to countries in Europe and other continents. Teachers will use cross curricular opportunities to teach and reinforce geographical knowledge and skills in a meaningful context and immerse children in a vocabulary rich environment.

At Wingrave Church of England Combined School we aim for children to achieve age related expectations in geography by the end of each academic year, retain knowledge that is pertinent to geography with a real life context, understand how geography 'happens' in their local area and have a good understanding of the world around them and how it has been shaped. This will be evidenced through the end of year assessment, children's exercise books, writing books, classroom displays and pupil voice. We aim for all children to have enjoyed learning about geography, to equip them with necessary geographical skills and knowledge. But most of all, in this ever changing world, the study of geography will deepen their knowledge of the places and people across the world and encourage them to explore, ask questions and undertake new experiences both now and in the future.



	Knowledge & Skills Progression						
	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Locational Knowledge	Name the village/town that I live in Talk about places that I have visited Talk about changes in the environments.	Ask and answer geographical questions Explain where I live and tell someone my address Name the four countries in the United Kingdom and locate them on a map Name the capital cities of the four countries in the United Kingdom	Name and locate the worlds continents and oceans on a map Find where I live on a map of the United Kingdom Name the capital cities of England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland	Ask and answer geographical questions about the physical and human characteristics of a location. Use a range of resources to identify the key physical and human features of a location. Understand how some aspects of the human and physical characteristics of United Kingdom have changed over time.	Explain own views about locations, giving reasons. Name and locate countries and cities of the United Kingdom, geographical regions and their identifying human and physical characteristics including hills, mountains, key topographical features. Name and locate the countries of Europe and identify their main physical and human characteristics.	Name and locate some of the countries and cities of the world and their identifying human and physical characteristics, including hills, mountains and understand how these aspects have changed over time.	Name and locate the countries of North and South America and identify their main physical and human characteristics, countries and major cities. Identify the position and significance of latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic Circle, the Prime/Greenwich Meridian and time zones.
Place Knowledge	Talk about the features of my immediate environment and how environments may differ from one another.	Understand the geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical features of an area in the United Kingdom and a contrasting non- European country.	Understand the geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical features of an area in the United Kingdom and a contrasting non- European country.	Identify and describe how the physical features affect the human activity within a location within the United Kingdom and a European country.	Identify and describe how the physical features affect the human activity within a location within the United Kingdom and a European country.	Identify and describe how the physical features affect the human activity within a location within the United Kingdom and a European country and a region within North or South America	Identify and describe how the physical features affect the human activity within a location within the United Kingdom and a European country and a region within North or South America
Human and physical geography	Talk about the weather in my immediate environment Name the four seasons and identify the characteristics of each season.	Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the UK Identify land use around the school	Identify the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles. Identify the features of a location to say	Describe how the locality of the school has changed over time Describe the key aspects of human geography, including settlements and land use.	Describe geographical similarities and differences between countries Describe key aspects of physical geography including river, mountains and the water cycle.	Identify and describe how the physical features affect the human activity within a location. Analyse and give views of the	Understand some of the reasons for geographical similarities and differences between countries. Describe how countries and geographical regions

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	Dress appropriately		whether it is a town,		Begin to understand key	effectiveness of	and interconnected and
	for the weather		city, village, coastal or		aspects of human geography	different	interdependent.
			rural area.		including trade economic	geographical	
					activity, and the distribution	representations of	Describe and understand
			Use geographical		of natural resources	a location.	key aspects of physical
			vocabulary to describe		including food and energy.	a location.	geography including;
			the key physical		including food and chergy.	Describe how	climate zones, volcanoes
			features of a place			locations around	and earthquakes.
			using words like;			the world are	and ear inquakes.
			beach, coast, forest,			changing and	Describe and understand
			mountain, ocean,			explain some of	key aspects of human
			valley			the reasons for	geography including
			valley			change.	trade economic activity,
			Use geographical			change.	and the distribution of
			vocabulary to describe				natural resources
							including food and
			the key human features of a place				energy.
			using words like: city,				energy.
			town, village, factory,				
			farm, house, office,				
			port, harbour and				
			shop				
	I show an interest in	Devise a simple map;	Use simple fieldwork	Use maps, atlases, globes	Use fieldwork to observe	Use a range of	Use the eight point or a
	maps and digital	and use and construct	and observational	and digital/computer	and record the human and	geographical	compass, four figure grid
	technology.	basic symbols in a key	skills to study the	mapping to locate	physical features in the local	resources to give	references symbols and
			geography of the	countries and describe	area using a range of	detailed	a key (that uses standard
	I can use pictures to	Use basic geographical	school and the key	features.	methods including sketch	descriptions and	Ordnance Survey
	talk about different	vocabulary to refer to	human and physical		maps, plans and graphs and	opinions of the	symbols) to
	environments	key physical and human	features of its		digital technologies.	characteristic	communicate knowledge
		features.	surrounding		5 5	features of a	of the United Kingdom
	I can use simple		environment.		Use the four points of a	location.	and the world.
	directional language	Use aerial images and			compass, four figure grid		
Geographical	0 0	plan perspectives to	Use compass		references, symbols and key	Create maps of	Analyse and give views
skills and	I can draw a simple	recognise landmarks	directions and		to communicate knowledge	locations,	of the effectiveness of
fieldwork	map	and basic physical	locational language to		of the United Kingdom and	identifying	different geographical
		features	describe the location		the wider world	patterns (such as	representations of a
			of features and routes			land use, climate	location.
			on a map.			zones, population	
						densities, height of	Collect and analyse
			Use simple grid			land)	statistics and other
			references.				information in order to
							draw clear conclusions
			Use world maps,				about locations.
			atlases and globes to				
			identify the United				

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	Kingdom and its		Use different types of
	countries as well as		fieldwork sampling
	countries, continents		(random and systematic)
	and oceans studied.		to observe, measure and
			record the human and
			physical features in the
			local area. Record the
			results in a range of
			ways.