Geography Skills Progression

Eden Park Primary School Academy

In order to ensure broad and balanced coverage, we follow these principles:

- Within each phase, geography is a driver for at least 3 Learning Experiences over the two year cycle.
- The foundation stage covers the objectives and skills within each year.

FOUNDATION STAGE

ELG:

I know about similarities and differences in relation to places.

I can talk about the features of my own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another.

| Geographical Enquiry | Knowledge and Understanding of Places | Geographical Skills | Fieldwork | Environmental Change and Sustainable Environment |
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| I can ask simple questions | I can investigate places by | I can understand that | I can ask simple questions | I can recognise changes in |
| about my immediate | using all my senses. | maps show us where places | when exploring my | my environment. (E.g. |
| environment. | I can identify similarities | are | environment | weather and seasons). |
| | and differences between | | | |
| | places. | | | |

Year 1 and 2

Learning Experiences:
Jolly Farmer
Around the world in 6 weeks
Pirates vs Mermaids

| Geographical Enquiry | Knowledge and Understanding of Places | Geographical Skills | Fieldwork | Environmental Change and Sustainable Environment |
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| I can ask and respond to | I can describe a locality | I can recognise simple | I can ask questions about | I can investigate changes |
| simple questions about | using my observations. | features of a map. | my environment and look | in my environment. |
| places. | | | for answers in my school | |
| | I can use geographical | I can use a map, atlas and | and the grounds. | I can identify the changes |
| I can use simple resources | vocabulary to refer to key | globe to find the UK and | | associated with the |
| to research and find out | geographical features | its 4 countries, and some | I can investigate physical | seasons. |
| about places. | including beach, cliff, | other countries of interest | and human features of my | |
| | coast, forest, hill, | as well as oceans. | surrounding environment. | I can identify daily |
| | mountain, sea, ocean, river, | | | weather patterns. |
| | soil, valley, season, | I can use photographs and | | |
| | weather, city, town, | maps to identify basic | | |
| | factory, farm, house, | features (eg a church) | | |
| | office, port, harbour, shop. | | | |
| | | I can devise a simple map | | |
| | I can compare Brixham | and construct a key using | | |
| | with a small area in a | symbols. | | |
| | contrasting non-European | | | |
| | country. | | | |

| I can identify hot and cold areas of the world. | I can use simple compass directions (N, S, E, W) | |
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| | I can use simple locational language such as near, far, left and right. | |

Year 3 and 4

Learning Experiences: Resourceful Rivers Our Jungle Books Jet, Set, Go!

| Geographical Enquiry | Knowledge and Understanding of Places | Geographical Skills | Fieldwork | Environmental Change and Sustainable Environment |
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| I can ask geographical | I can make observations about | I can use a map, atlas and | I can pose questions and use | I can investigate and |
| questions and communicate | physical and human features of | globe to find the UK and some | simple studies to investigate | summarise changes in my |
| my findings (i.e. physical and | places. | other countries of interest as | my school and the grounds. | environment including |
| human features). | | well as oceans. | | environmental issues. |
| | I can use the terms physical | | I can investigate by observing, | |
| I can recognise similarities and | and human. | I can identify the 7 continents | measuring and recording | I can understand that people |
| differences between places | | and 5 oceans on a world map. | | can influence and change the |
| using geographical language. | I can describe and understand key | | | environment (e.g. litter, |
| | aspects of climate zones, biomes | I can identify some key | | temperature, climate change). |
| I can use a range of resources, | and vegetation belts (forest, | environmental regions, such as | | |
| including maps, diagrams, | grassland, tundra, desert, and ice sheet). | the rainforests and deserts. | | I can describe and understand key |
| photographs, the internet, | sileet). | | | aspects of the water cycle. |
| books and GIS to find out | I can describe and | I can identify the position and | | Lean describe and understand key |
| about geography. | | significance of the Equator, | | I can describe and understand key aspects of land use and its impact |
| | understand key aspects of | Northern and Southern | | on the environment. |
| | rivers. | Hemispheres and the Artic and | | |
| | | Antarctic. | | |

| I can descri understand different ty settlement | key aspects of pes of I can use maps containing grid references and symbols. | |
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| | compass points | |

Year 5 and 6

Learning Experiences:
Location, Location,
What a load of Rubbish
Horrible Histories

| Geographical Enquiry | Knowledge and Understanding of Places | Geographical Skills | Fieldwork | Environmental Change and Sustainable Environment |
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| I can collect and record evidence from my own and others findings. | I can give reasons for similarities and differences between places using what I know | I can locate and identify the 4 countries and capital cities of Great Britain. | I can create my own investigations involving observing, measuring, recording and presenting | I can summarise an environmental issue including its causes and possible solutions. |
| I can collect data to support geographical observations and suggest | about other countries and parts of the UK. | I can name and locate some cities and counties of the UK, and their main | data using digital technologies. | I can summarise the ways that people are trying to |
| conclusions (physical and human). | I can describe how physical and human processes can lead to similarities and | features including mountains, coasts and land use. | I can investigate my own inquiries and create maps, | manage an environment in both physical and human terms. |

| I can use a range of resources, including maps, diagrams, photographs, the internet, books and GIS to find out about geography. | differences between places. I can describe and understand key aspects of mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes. | I can locate and identify the key physical and human characteristics of the world. I can identify the position and significance of the Tropics of Capricorn and Cancer; Longitude and Latitude and world time zones. I can use an Ordnance Survey map, including symbols and keys I can use digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied. | plans and graphs of my results. I can interpret the results of my investigations. | I can describe and understand key aspects of economic activity, including trade links and the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water. I can recognise how the processes of the human and physical world are interdependent. |
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| | | I can draw maps and plans to scale I can use the terms physical and human & describe features I can draw maps using 4 figure grid references. I can make geographical measurements. I can find & use 6 figure grid references. I understand scaled maps. | | |