

Armathwaite School

Geography Progression Map

	Reception & Year 1		Year 2 & 3		Year 4, 5 & 6		
	Year A	Year B	Year A	Year B	Year A	Year B	Year C
Locational Skills	Recognize and name their home, school, and local area. Identify the UK as their country and recognize it on a simple map.	Recognize the four countries of the UK and their flags. Locate the UK on a world map and identify the surrounding seas.	Name and locate the four countries and capital cities of the UK. Identify the continents and oceans of the world.	Locate the equator, North Pole, and South Pole on a globe. Name and locate significant rivers and mountains in the UK.	Name and locate key countries and cities in Europe and North/South America. Identify significant physical features (e.g., the Alps, Amazon River).	Locate the world's major biomes and climate zones. Identify key lines of latitude and longitude (e.g., Tropics, Arctic Circle).	Name and locate major world cities and their landmarks. Explore the impact of human activity on the environment (e.g., deforestation, urbanization).
Investigate, compare and contrast	Explore their immediate environment (e.g., playground, park, local shops). Compare the local area with another location (e.g., countryside vs. town).	Explore differences between the UK and a contrasting non- European country (e.g., weather, homes, clothing).	Compare a UK location with a location in a European country (e.g., London vs. Paris).	Compare a UK location with a contrasting non- European location (e.g., village in Kenya vs. a UK town).	Compare a UK region with a region in North or South America (e.g., Lake District vs. Amazon Rainforest).	Compare the physical and human geography of a UK region with a region in Africa or Asia.	Compare the geography of two global cities (e.g., London vs. Tokyo).
Physical Geography	Identify physical features: hill, river, tree, beach.	Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the UK. Name features like mountain, forest, river, and city.	Identify key physical features: hill, mountain, river, coast.	Explore climate zones and how they affect people's lives (e.g., hot, cold, temperate).	Study rivers and the water cycle.	Study mountains and their formation.	Study natural disasters (e.g., earthquakes, volcanoes, tsunamis).
Human Geography	Identify human features: house, road, shop, bridge.	Identify human features in the UK	Identify key human features: town, factory, port, farm.	Study land use in the local area (e.g., housing, shops, parks).	Explore the distribution of natural resources (e.g., energy, food, minerals).	Explore population and settlement patterns in different regions.	Explore trade and economic activity, including exports and imports.
Map Skills & Fieldwork	Create simple pictorial maps of familiar places (e.g.,	Use simple maps and globes to locate	Use maps, globes, and atlases to locate	Use compass directions (N, E, S,	Use 4-figure grid references on	Use 6-figure grid references and	Create detailed maps using a variety of sources (e.g.,



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	classroom, playground).	the UK and other places.	the UK, Europe, and major oceans.	W) to describe locations.	Ordnance Survey maps.	advanced symbols on maps.	digital maps, OS maps).
	Use positional language (near, far, next to, in front of).	Follow simple directions (left, right, forward, backward) during outdoor activities.	Create maps with simple keys and symbols. Observe and record features of their local area during fieldwork.	Draw maps of the local area using keys and symbols. Measure and record weather during fieldwork activities.	Conduct fieldwork to observe and record the physical and human features of a local river.	Analyze aerial photographs to identify features and land use.	Design and carry out independent fieldwork projects, analyzing data and presenting findings.
Vocabulary	Local, place, map, near, far, home, school, park, hill, tree, shop, road, house, bridge.	Country, sea, map, globe, weather, mountain, forest, city, river, left, right, forward, backward.	Continent, ocean, capital city, coast, factory, port, farm, hill, river, key, symbol, atlas.	Equator, North Pole, South Pole, climate, weather, housing, land use, compass, direction, measure, record	River, water cycle, source, mouth, energy, resources, 4- figure grid reference, Ordnance Survey, fieldwork.	Biome, climate zone, latitude, longitude, Tropics, Arctic Circle, settlement, population, 6-figure grid reference, aerial photograph.	Natural disaster, earthquake, volcano, tsunami, trade, export, import, urbanization, deforestation, digital map