



Our Geography Curriculum overview

EYFS Links	Year Group	Unit Title	Key Concept(s)	Big Idea	We are geographers when...
Children talk about features of their immediate environment and places that are familiar.	Year 1	Belonging to Barnes	<i>Community, Place & Belonging</i>	Our local environment helps us understand where we live, what places are like and how humans and physical features shape our community.	...we explore our school and local area, identify human and physical features, and begin to understand what makes our place special.
Children begin to understand similarities and differences between places.		Step into Spring (The UK)	<i>Location, Countries of the UK, Simple Mapping</i>	Knowing the countries, capital cities and key features of the UK helps us understand how places are organised and located.	...we name and locate the UK's four countries and their capital cities, identify simple landmarks and begin using maps and basic directions.
Children notice and describe weather and seasonal changes.		Water, Water Everywhere (Weather & Seasons)	<i>Weather, Seasonal Change, Observation</i>	Weather and seasons affect what people do, what lives in different places and how the environment	...we observe and record weather, identify seasonal patterns and explain how weather affects daily life.



				changes across the year.	
Children explore natural features such as sand, water, grass and rocks.	Year 2	Where Do I Belong? (Local Area & Coast)	<i>Human & Physical Features, Coastal Geography, Place Comparison</i>	Coastlines and local environments have unique features that help us understand how people live and how physical geography shapes a place.	...we explore the coast at Sunderland, identify coastal features and compare our locality with other areas of the UK.
Children understand that there are different places, people and communities in the world.		Wonderful World (Continents & Oceans)	<i>Continents, Oceans, Global Location, World Environments</i>	Knowing the continents and oceans helps us understand how the world is organised and how environments differ across the globe.	...we locate the seven continents and five oceans, explore world environments and identify global similarities and differences.
Children talk about differences between life in this country and life in other countries.		Healthy Me (Kenya Focus)	<i>Contrasting Non-European Country, Climate, Human & Physical Features</i>	Learning about a contrasting country helps us understand how climate, landscape and culture influence daily life.	...we compare life in the UK with Kenya, explore how climate affects people and identify similarities and differences between the two places.