

Our vision at Brockenhurst C of E Primary School:

We hope to ignite the children's curiosity and fascination of Geography, allowing them to deepen their understanding of the world outside of Brockenhurst.

We focus on the key areas of: World Knowledge, Understanding, Geographical Enquiry, Map Knowledge and Map Work, providing the children with the key skills for future learning.

We will use our local area to enhance our fieldwork and enquiry skills. We follow an enquiry approach to allow children to develop the skills necessary to become Geographers.

Progression of Skills

	Pre-school	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
World Knowledge	Talk about familiar places visited within the local area. Talk about environmental features within the immediate environment using wide vocabulary.	Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps. Know some similarities and differences between different	Have used maps and images to have basic locational knowledge about individual places and environments, especially in the local area, but also in the UK and wider world.	Have simple locational knowledge about individual places and environments, especially in the local area, but also in the UK and wider world.	Have begun to make simple links with world locational knowledge, including knowledge of places in the local area, UK and wider world, and some globally significant physical and human features.	Have begun to develop a framework of world locational knowledge, including knowledge of places in the local area, UK and wider world, and some globally significant physical and human features.	Have begun to make connections from patterns of knowledge of the world, including globally significant physical and human features.	Have a more detailed and extensive framework of knowledge of the world, including globally significant physical and human features and places in the news.

		religious and cultural communities in this country, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.						
Understanding	Talk about similarities and differences between self and others. Explore and respond to natural phenomena within the setting.	Explain some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries, drawing on knowledge from stories, non-fiction texts and (when appropriate) maps.	Show simple understanding by describing the places and features they study using some geographical vocabulary, identifying some similarities and differences and simple patterns in the environment.	Show understanding by describing the places and features they study using simple geographical vocabulary, identifying some similarities and differences and simple patterns in the environment.	Interpret their knowledge and understanding of the wider world by investigating places beyond their immediate surroundings, including human and physical features and patterns, how places change and some links between people and environments. They begin to	Demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of the wider world by investigating places beyond their immediate surroundings, including human and physical features and patterns, how places change and some links between people and environments.	Understand simply what a number of places are like, how and why they are similar and different, and how and why they are changing. They know simple spatial patterns in physical and human geography, the conditions which influence those patterns, and	Understand in some detail what a number of places are like, how and why they are similar and different, and how and why they are changing. They know about some spatial patterns in physical and human geography, the conditions which influence those patterns, and the processes which lead to change. They show some understanding of the links between places, people and environments.

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Geographical Enquiry	Use senses within hands-on exploration of natural materials. Begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and living things.	Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants.	Be able to investigate places and environments with adult modelling by asking and answering basic questions, making simple observations and using sources such as simple maps, atlases, globes, images and aerial photos.	Be able to investigate places and environments by asking and answering questions, making observations and using sources such as simple maps, atlases, globes, images and aerial photos	Identify 7 continents, 5 oceans and their human and physical features Identify comparison study places, bordering countries, capital cities and human and physical features Identify places of relevance and in the news. Identify place relevant human and physical	Be able to investigate places and environments independently by asking and responding to geographical questions, making observations and using sources such as maps, atlases, globes, images and aerial photos. They can express their opinions and recognise that others may	Be able to carry out investigations using different geographical questions, skills and sources of information including a variety of maps, graphs and images. They can express and explain their opinions with evidence, and recognise and explain why others may have different points of view.	

					features, counties, countries, capitals, seas both now and over time.	think differently.	points of view.	
Map Knowledge		Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps.	Identify the 4 countries, capitals, surrounding seas, own school and county (Hampshire) both now and over time	Identify the 7 continents and 5 oceans. Identify contrasting non-European place. Identify places of relevance and in the news.	Draw a map of a short route from knowledge and journeys Use OS symbols in a key Interpret symbols on a map Describe features and routes on a map. Give and follow directions and routes on a detailed map.	Identify 7 continents, 5 oceans and their human and physical features Identify comparison study places, bordering countries, capital cities and human and physical features Identify places of relevance and in the news. Identify place relevant human and physical features, counties, countries, capitals, seas	Identify 7 continents, 5 oceans and their human and physical features. Identify comparison study places, bordering countries, capital cities and human and physical features. Identify places of relevance and in the news. Identify place relevant human and physical features, counties, countries, capitals, seas both now and over time.	Identify 7 continents, 5 oceans and their human and physical features Identify comparison study places, bordering countries, capital cities and human and physical features. Identify places of relevance and in the news. Identify place relevant human and physical features, counties, countries, capitals, seas both now and over time.

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Map Work		Explain some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries, drawing on knowledge from stories, non-fiction texts and (when appropriate) maps.	Draw a simple map from imagination, stories or knowledge Create and use symbols in a key	Interpret simple symbols on a map. Describe features and routes on a map. Give and follow directions and routes on a simple map.	Draw a map of a short route from knowledge and journeys Use OS symbols in a key Interpret symbols on a map Describe features and routes on a map. Give and follow directions and routes on a detailed map.	Draw a map of a short route from knowledge and journeys Use OS symbols in a key Interpret symbols on a map Describe features and routes on a map. Give and follow directions and routes on a detailed map.	Draw maps with detail and accuracy. Use OS symbols in a key Interpret symbols and numbers on a map. Describe features and routes on a map and compare to photos Give and follow directions and routes on a detailed map, e.g. OS. Use a scale to measure distances.	Draw maps with detail and accuracy. Use OS symbols in a key Interpret symbols and numbers on a map. Describe features and routes on a map and compare to photos Give and follow directions and routes on a detailed map, e.g. OS. Use a scale to measure distances.