

Progression in Geography Skills										
Skills	Early Years	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6			
Locational knowledge	Talk about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things	To name the four countries making up the British Isles  To know and locate the capital cities of the UK  To recognise similarities and differences in their immediate environment  To talk about people and places beyond their environment		Understand the difference between the Northern/Southern hemisphere and identify countries within each	To name and locate a variety of European countries  Look at the environmental regions key physical and human characteristics  To know where the tropic of Cancer, tropic of Capricorn and meridian are on the world map  To know, name and locate the key topographical features of UK (rivers, mountains, coasts, etc)	To name and locate a number of countries within North and South America.  To understand the significance of Northern/Southern hemisphere and where the tropic of Cancer, tropic of Capricorn and meridian are on the world map	To know and understand time zones and work out differences  To identify key land use patterns and understand how these have changed over time.			
Place knowledge	To talk about the features of their own environment and how environments might vary from one another	Know features of hot and cold places in the world	Know the main difference between a place in England and that of a small country in a non-European country.	Understand geographical similarities and differences including those human and physical difference between the UK and another country.	Comparing UK with Scotland/Norway – physical features comparison and differences between East-Anglia and Norway	Understand geographical similarities and differences between coastlines within the UK and another country.	Know about time zones and work out differences			

Human and physical geography	To make observations of the environment and explain why some changes occur	Know which is the hottest and coldest season within the UK and identify hot and cold countries.  Know and recognise	Identify the following physical features: beach, cliff, coast forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, valley, soil, vegetation, season and weather.	Know what causes an earthquake  Label the different parts of a volcano	Know and label the main features of a river  Know and label the main features of a river  Know the name of and	Know what is meant by biomes and what are the features of a specific biome	Know the names of and locate some of the world's deserts  Know why industrial areas and ports are important
		main weather symbols  Know the main differences between city, town and village.	Understanding of what human features are		locate a number of the world's longest rivers  Know the names of number of the world's highest mountains  Explain the features of a water cycle  Know why most cities	rainforest and know what deforestation is	Know main human and physical differences between developed and third world countries
Geographical skills and field work	To identify the town they live in.  To talk about what is nearby them.	Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries.  Use simple compass directions (North, South, East and West)  Know where the equator, North Pole and South Pole are on a Globe  Know which is N,E,S and W on a compass  Know their address, including postcode	Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries, as well as the countries, continents and oceans  Identify capital cities in the UK  Know and use the terminologies: left and right; below, next to.	Know and name the eight points of a compass  Use maps to locate European countries and capitals.	Are located by a river  Know how to plan a journey within the UK, using a road map  Use maps and globes to locate the equator, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn and the Greenwich Meridian	Consolidate Use maps and globes to locate the equator, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn and the Greenwich Meridian  Know how to use graphs to record features such as temperature or rainfall across the world	Use Google Earth to locate a country or place of interest and to follow the journey of rivers, etc.  Know what most of the ordnance survey symbols stand for  Know how to use six- figure grid references