Highwood Geography Curriculum Map

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	Nursery	Know that there are different countries in the world and talk about the differences they have experienced or seen in photos. Teach children about where we live. Discuss school address and our area of North Bushey.	Know that there are different countries in the world and talk about the differences they have experienced or seen in photos. Pupil can discus differences and similarities between our school grounds and their homes.	Caring for environment. Begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things. Know that there are different countries in the world and talk about the differences they have experiences or seen in photos.	Begin to understand the need to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things. Pupils will be able to share experiences of their own travels and discuss simple differences between England and where else they have been. e.g weather and seaside destinations
E1F3	Reception	Talk about where they live and things they have observed in the natural world. Recap where we live. Discuss school address and our area of North Bushey. Develop further into discussing local places they have visited such as shopping centres, parks, local walks.	Develop an understanding of seasons, growth, decay and change over time. Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps. Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including seasons and changes of matter.	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. Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries. Know some similarities and differences between different religious and cultural communities in this country, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class. Recognise some environments that are different to the one in which they live. Understand similarities and develop an understanding of seasons, growth, decay and change over time.	Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside. Draw information from a simple map Show care for the environment.

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KS1	Year 1 The pupils will learn about <i>UK and its cities</i> Seasonal changes observed throughout the whole year.	Name and locate where our classroom is situated to other areas of our school. Name and locate our school and which town we live in. Understand geographical differences between physical and human features within the immediate surrounding area of the school. Locate and name the countries making up the British Isles, with their capital cities. Name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas.	Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the United Kingdom, and of a small area in a contrasting non-European country using class bear. E.g this could be a place they have visited on holiday or have family living there (Spain?). Pupils will learn about England, Scotland, Wales and N. Ireland and their relationship to Great Britain. Pupils to investigate the differences between the UK, Great Britain, and the British Isles.	Understand geographical differences between physical and human features within the immediate surrounding area of the school. Identify the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to: • key physical features, including: forest, hill, mountain, soil, valley, vegetation. • key human features, including city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office.	Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries. Model and show our school and surrounding area using Google Earth. Use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of their school and its grounds and the key human and physical features of its surrounding environment.
	Year 2 The pupils will learn about Continents and Seas, Australia and London	Name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans. Name and locate where Australia is situated, including surrounding seas and islands (New Zealand).	Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the United Kingdom, and of a small area in a contrasting non-European country (Australia) concentrating on islands and sea sides.	 Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to: key physical features, including: beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, valley, vegetation, season and weather key human features, including: city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour and shop 	Use simple compass directions (North, South, East and West) and locational and directional language [for example, near and far; left and right], to describe the location of features and routes on a map. Use aerial photographs and plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features; devise a simple map; and use and construct basic symbols in a key.

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Lower KS2 Year 3 The pupils will learn about Africa (Sp1), Egypt (S1) and France (S2)	Pupils will be able to recap, locate and name the continents on a World Map. Pupils will name and locate the continent of Africa and countries (Egypt and France on a World map. For each country, pupils will learn the names of the capital cities and understand what constitutes as a city. Pupils will identify their surrounding seas. Pupils will be able to identify the longest rivers in these countries, largest deserts, highest mountains and can compare with the UK. Pupils will identify the position and significance of Equator, N. and S. Hemisphere, Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn. Pupils will use a variety of sources such as maps, atlases, globes and digital/computing mapping (Google Earth) to locate the countries. On a world map, locate areas of similar environmental regions, either desert, rainforest or temperate regions	Pupils to describe the similarities and differences between a region in Egypt and a European country 'France' Pupils to describe and locate the features of the equator and Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn.	Pupils will learn about trade between UK and Africa with an additional focus on fair trade. Pupils will learn about mountain ranges in France. Pupils to explore school life and local communities, comparing the UK and Africa Children will learn about the climate in Egypt and the impact it has on people's lives. Explore the impact of rivers and water systems in Africa e.g. Nile, Zambezi, Congo.	Ask and answer more searching geographical questions when investigating different places and environments. The Big Question? Pupils will learn to identify basic symbols and key on an Ordnance survey map. Pupils to learn the eight points of a compass and two figures grid references so they know how to locate Egypt and France and give directions. Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping (Google Earth) to locate countries and describe features studied. Use fieldwork to observe and record the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital technologies.

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Lower KS2	Year 4 The pupils will learn about <i>Europe</i> (A1), <i>Italy</i> (S1) and <i>China</i> (S2)	Pupils will continue to use a variety of sources such as maps, atlases, globes and digital/computing mapping (Google Earth) to locate the continent of Europe and the countries, including Italy and China. Pupils will study the capital cities of Europe, specifically Italy, and explore how their regions are divided, e.g. Italy into provinces Pupils will study capital city of China and explore how its regions are divided, e.g. China is split into provinces and regions. They will be introduced to the difference between the northern and southern hemisphere. In year 4 pupils will develop their vocabulary to understand climate zones and will start to provide an awareness of global warming.	Children to identify geographical regions by their human and physical characteristics, including rivers and seas. Pupils will continue to use a variety of sources, they will use maps, atlases, globes and digital computer mapping (Google Earth) to locate the mountain ranges, capitals, rivers and oceans of China and Italy. Pupils to locate the surrounding islands and bordering countries. Pupils to locate the countries in regards to position from the equator, northern and southern hemisphere, tropics of cancer and Capricorn.	Whilst studying the human and physical Geography of Italy pupils will also make historical links with the Roman Empire and its legacy on Italian culture. Then can research human geography including trade links in the Pre-roman and Roman era, and types of settlements in Early Britain linked to History. Why did early people choose to settle there? Compare a region of the China with a region in Italy focusing on identifying human and physical characteristics, key topographical features and how they use their natural resources for economic growth Pupils to understand how volcanoes occur and their impact on the inhabitants who live near them. (Link to Pompeii and Vesuvius eruption)	Year 4 will explore the school's local community, as well as a contrasting locality of China. Pupils will plan investigations, take digital photographs and undertake surveys. Pupils will begin to design questions and studies to conduct in the local area of Bushey. Pupils will learn how to use recognised symbols to mark out local areas of interests on own maps. Revise eight points of a compass and to understand four figure grid references.

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Upper KS2	Year 5 The pupils will learn about Asia (Sp2), <i>Sri Lanka</i> (S1) and <i>Greece</i> (A2)	Pupils to compare two different regions in Asia. Pupils to identify the position of longitude, latitude, artic and Antarctic circle, the prime/ Greenwich meridian, and time zones (including night and day.) On a world map locate the main countries in Asia. Identify their main environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, and major cities.	Pupils to examine key topographical features across large countries. Compare climates in Asia/Greece with the UK. Compare a region in UK with a region in Asia with significant differences and similarities. Eg. Link to goods grown and traded from Asia.	Pupils will learn and understand the impact of physical features on humans e.g. Natural disasters such as earthquakes. Look into Tsunamis. Pupils will begin to describe and explain the processes that cause natural disasters. Pupils will collect and analyse statistics and other geographical information such as population and aerial photographs to draw clear conclusions about a location. To understand the impact of farming on populations and examining settlement and sustainability.	Year 5 will learn how to collect evidence, make observational notes, take photographs to support judgements and compare and contrast physical features. Use fieldwork to observe, measure and record the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital technologies. Ask and respond to questions that are more causal e.g. Why is that happening in that place? Could it happen here? The Big Question? Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping (Google Earth) to locate countries and describe features studied Use the eight points of a compass, four-figure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps) to build their knowledge of Sri Lanka/ Greece in the past and present.

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Upper KS2 Year 6 The pupils will learn about <i>North and South America</i> (A1), <i>Mexico</i> (Sp1) and <i>Germany</i> (S2)	They will name and locate the key topographical features of these countries. Pupils will locate the major cities in Germany and understand regional differences. To make connections between the Equator and the tropics of the Americas On a world map locate the main countries in North and South America. Identify their main environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, and major cities/states Name and locate the key topographical features including coast, features of erosion, canyons, waterfalls, mountains and rivers (Amazon). Understand how these features have changed over time.	On a world map pupils to locate the main countries in N and S America, and compare them to England and Germany. Compare a region in UK with a region in N. or S. America with significant differences and similarities. Eg. Link to Fairtrade of bananas in St Lucia. Understand some of the reasons for similarities and differences. Pupils will be able to draw upon their prior learning to identify some capital cities or oceans. They will also begin to understand the significance of latitude and longitude. Children to critically analyse and explain a range of reasons for geographical similarities and differences between countries. Focus on how Germany's borders have changed in Germany over time (WW1, WW2 start and end of WW2).	Pupils will learn about mountain ranges in the Americas. Using an atlas, children will identify the longest rivers in the world (The Amazon), and compare this with Germany (River Rhine). Pupils to understand the process of the water cycle and the impact it has on the globe- focusing on the Amazon. Describe and understand key aspects of: Physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts (link to work on Rainforest). Pupils will describe features and explain some of the processes associated with rivers and the water cycle, including transportations. Discuss how water affects the environment, settlement, environmental changes, and sustainability.	Year 6 will undertake opportunities whereby they can practise the following: Collecting, presenting, and analysing data. Undertake a general survey, form, and develop opinions, make suggestions, and reflect on own beliefs. Analyse evidence and draw conclusions. Ask and respond to questions that are more causal e.g. What happened in the past to cause that? How is it likely to change in the future? Children to extend their learning of four figures grid references to six figures with a significant focus of longitude and latitude.