			0	Geography Curriculun	n Progression o	of Knowledge	
	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Locational Knowledge	Reception  Describe their immediate environment using knowledge form observation, discussion, stories, nonfiction texts and maps.	Year 1  Name, locate and identify the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas.			Year 4  Name and locate counties and cities in the UK  Identify geographical regions or counties within the UK.  Identify key human and physical characteristics within the UK.  Identify key topographical features (Inc hills, mountains, coasts and	Year 5  Locate North and South America and the countries within these continents.  Locate the major cities in North and South America.  Identify and discus the key physical and human characteristics of North and South America (for example: The Great Lakes, The Great Pains, The sierra Madre mountain system and Gaucho	Year 6 Identify and explain land use patterns in the UK.  Explain how these characteristics may have changed over time.  Trade links + economic activity – comparing people and places  Name and locate the key topographical features including coast, features of erosion, hills, mountains and rivers.  Understand how these features have changed over time.
					rivers).  Locate countries in Europe.  Locate Russia.  Compare map	culture).  Identify the range of climate zones in Americas.  Identify the position and significance of	

					changes over time of the Roman empire.  Map changes in London capital City over time.	Equator, N. and S. Hemisphere, Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic Circle.  Identify the position and significance of latitude/longitude and the Greenwich Meridian. Linking with science, time zones, night and day	
Place Knowledge	Explain some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries drawing on knowledge from stories, non-fiction texts and maps.	To understand geographical similarities and differences through studying local areas of the United Kingdom.  Focus: The seaside, New Forest and Corfe	To understand geographical similarities and differences through studying a local area of the United Kingdom (Bournemouth), and of a small area in a contrasting non-European country concentrating on islands and	Focus on a study of Egypt, Africa. Understanding the human and physical geography of the country.	Describe and understand key aspects of human geography, including types of settlement and land use; trade links. Compare with UK	Compare the Americas to UK (modern day), including physical and human geography (Mayans).  Understand geographic similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the UK	Study physical geography of a region within the UK (Jurassic coast)  Compare to a European or American location.

		Castle.	sea sides (African country)			and a European country.	
Human Geography	Describe their immediate environment using knowledge form observation, discussion, stories, nonfiction texts and maps.	Explore local areas and simple maps identifying features such as; city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour and shop.	Explore local areas and simple maps identifying features such as; city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour and shop.	Identify, describe and understand different types of settlement and the reasons chosen (river, sea etc)  Types of settlements in Early Britain linked to History. Why did early people choose to settle there?	Identify key landmarks and their significance to economics, trade links and historical value/changes	Exploring the land use and types of settlement in Ancient Greece.	Human geography including trade between UK and Europe and ROW  Fair/unfair distribution of resources (Fairtrade).  Distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water.  Types of settlements in Viking, Saxon Britain linked to History.
Physical Geography	Knows some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments.	Identify daily weather patterns.  Identify Seasonal weather patterns in the UK.  Identify the location of hot and cold	Identify location of hot areas of the world in relation to the equator and other continents.  Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to beach, cliff, coast,	Describe and understand key aspects of: Physical geography including Rivers and the water cycle,  Describe and understand key aspects of: Physical geography including Volcanoes and earthquakes, looking at plate	Describe and understand key aspects of physical geography, including terrain, biomes, and vegetation belts.		Identifying coastal land features  – coastal erosion

areas of the	forest, hill,	tectonics and the ring		
world in	mountain, sea,	of fire.		
relation to	ocean, river,			
the	soil, valley,	Identify how		
equator/the	vegetation,	earthquakes/Tsunamis		
poles	season and	are caused and their		
	weather.	affects.		
		Describe and		
		understand different		
		climate zones inc:		
		rainforests,		
		mountains, deserts		
		and rivers		

	Geography Curriculum Progression of Skills									
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6				
Geographical	Teacher led	Children	Begin to ask/initiate	Ask and respond to	Begin to suggest	Suggest questions for				
Enquiry	enquiries, to ask	encouraged to	geographical	questions and offer	questions for	investigating.				
	and respond to	ask simple	questions.	their own ideas.	investigating.					
	simple closed	geographical				Use primary and secondary				
	questions.	questions; where	Use NF books,	Extend to satellite	Using primary and	sources of evidence in their				
		is it? What's it	stories, atlases,	images, aerial	secondary sources of	investigations.				
	Use information	like?	pictures/ photos and	photographs.	evidence in their					
	books/pictures as		internet as sources		investigations.	Investigate places with more				
	sources of	Use NF books,	of information.	Investigate places and		emphasis on the larger scale;				
	information.	stories, maps,		themes at more than	Investigate places with	contrasting and distant				
		pictures/ photos	Investigate places	one scale.	more emphasis on the	places.				
	Investigate their	and interete as	and themes a more		larger scale/					
	surroundings.	sources of	than one scale.	Collect and record	contrasting and distant	Collect and record evidence				
		information.		evidence with some	places.	unaided.				
	Make		Begin to collect and	aid.						
	observations	Investigate their	record evidence.		Collect and record	Analyse evidence and draw				

	about where things are e.g. within school or local area.	surroundings.  Make appropriate observations about why things happen.  Make simple comparisons between features of different places.	Analyse evidence and begin to draw conclusions e.g. make comparisons between two locations using photos/pictures, temperatures in different locations.	Analyse evidence and draw conclusions e.g. make comparisons between locations photos/pictures/maps .	evidence unaided.  Analyse evidence and draw conclusions e.g. compare historical maps of varying scales e.g. temperature of various locations-influence on people/everyday life.	conclusions e.g. from field work data on land use comparing land use/ temperature, look at patterns and explain reasons behind it.
Direction/Loc ation	Follow directions (up, down, left/right, forwards/backwa rds)	Follow directions (as Y1 and inc NESW).	Use 4 compass points to follow/give directions.  Use letter/ no. coordinates to locate features on a map.	Use 4 compass points confidently.  Begin to use 8 compass points.  Use letter/ no coordinates to locate features on a map confidently.	Use 8 compass points.  Begin to use 4 figure co-ordinates to locate features on a map.	Use 8 compass points confidently and accurately.  Use 4 figure co-ordinates confidently to locate features on a map.  Begin to use 6 figure grid refs; use latitude and longitude on atlas maps.
Drawing maps	Draw picture maps of imaginary places and from stories.	Draw a map of a real or imaginary place. (e.g. add detail to a sketch map from aerial photograph)	Try to make a map of a short route experienced, with features in correct order.  Try to make a simple scale drawing.	Make a map of a short route experienced with features in correct order.  Make a simple scale drawing.	Begin to draw a variety of thamtic maps based on their own data.	Draw a variety of thematic maps based on their own data.  Begin to draw places of increasing complexity.
Using maps	Use a simple picture map to move around the school.	Follow a route on a map.  Use a plan view.	Locate places on larger scale maps e.g. map of Europe. Follow a route on a	Locate places on large scale maps, (e.g. Find UK or India on globe).  Follow a route on a	Compare maps with aerial photographs.  Select a map for a specific purpose (e.g.	Follow a short route on an OS map. Describe features shown on OS map.  Locate places on a world

	Recognise that it is about a place.	Use an infant atlas to locate	map with some accuracy (e.g. whilst	large scale map.	pick atlas to find Taiwan, OS map to find	map.
		places.	orienteering)		local village)	Use atlases to find out about
					Begin to use atlases to find out about other	other features of places (e.g. mountain regions, weather
					features of places (e.g.	patterns).
					find the wettest aprt of	patterns).
					the world).	
Scale/Distanc	Use relative	Begin to specially	Begin to match	Begin to match	Measure straight line	Use a scale to measure
е	vocbaulary (e.g.	match places (e.g.	boundaries (e.g. find	boundaries (e.g. find	distance on a plan.	distances (m/km).
	bigger/smaller,	recognise UK on a	same boundary of a	same boundary of a		
	like/dislike).	small scale and	country on different	country on different	Find/recognise places	Draw/ use maps and plans at
		larger scale map).	scale maps.	scale maps).	on maps of different scales (e.g. River Nile).	a range of scales (m/km).
Perspective	Draw around	Look down on	Begin to draw a	Draw a sketch map	Draw a plan view map	Draw a plan view map
-	objects to make a	objects to make a	sketch map from a	from a high view	with some accuracy.	accurately.
	plan.	plan view map.	high view point.	point.	, in the second of the second	, i
Мар	Learn names of	Locate and name	Begin to identify	Begin to identify	Identify significant	Confidently identify
Knowledge	some place	on UK map major	points on maps A, B	significant places and	places and	significant places and
	within/ around	features e.g.	and C.	enivornments.	enivornments.	enivornments.
	the UK e.g. home	London, River				
	town, cities,	Thames/ Home				
	countries e.g. Wales France.	location, seas.				
Style of Map	Picture maps and	Find land/sea on	Use large scale OS	Use large and medium	Use index and contents	Use OS maps.
	globes	globe.	maps.	scale OS maps.	page within atlases.	i i
						Confidently use an atlas.
		Use teacher	Begin to use map	Use junior atlases.	Use mediums cale land	
		drawn base	sites on internet.		ranger OS maps.	Recognise world map as a
		maps.	Danis to make in the	Use map sites on		flattened globe.
		Use large scale	Begin to use junior atlases.	internet.		
		OS maps.	atiases.	Identify features on		
		OJ maps.	Begin to identify	aerial/oblique		
		Use an infant	features on aerial/	photographs.		

Fieldwork TBC	Use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of the school and its	atlas.  Use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of the school and its	oblique photographs.  Use fieldwork to observe and record the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods,	Use fieldwork to observe, measure and record the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods,	Use fieldwork to observe, measure and record the human and physical features in the local area using a range of methods, including	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
	grounds and the key human and physical features of its surrounding environment.  Fieldwork:  Exploring the school grounds leading to creating a basic map of the school.  School > Muscliff > Bournemouth.  Looking at the position of the school within Muscliff and Muscliff within Bournemouth.	grounds and the key human and physical features of its surrounding environment.  Fieldwork:  Exploring the local area of Throop. Having a map to locate features e.g. farm, river, roads.  Create own map with roads/river/schoo I located on map.	including sketch maps, plans and graphs.  Fieldwork: Cranborne Ancient Technology Centre. Comparing early settlements to modern settlements.  Bringing stone age alive: Jurassic coast? Fossil hunt.	including sketch maps, plans and graphs.  Fieldwork: Exploring town centre? Using sketch maps, plans and graphs to record human and physical features of a town centre.	sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital technologies.  Fieldwork: Orienteering using ordnance survey maps and compasses.  Focus on digital technologies. tbc	graphs, and digital technologies.  Fieldwork: Brownsea Island: Sketch maps, plans and graphs of local coastline.  Focus on digital technologies tbc