# **The Vine Schools Curriculum**

# **Geography Curriculum**

## Intent:

At The Vine Schools, our geography curriculum is designed to inspire a lifelong curiosity and passion for the world, grounded in empathy and understanding of our pupils' rural context. We aim to connect their local experiences to global perspectives, fostering a sense of place, identity, and responsibility within the wider world.

Our curriculum goes beyond acquiring knowledge and skills; it seeks to cultivate critical thinking, creativity, and the ability to view the world through a geographical lens. By exploring the relationships between physical and human environments and bridging the local and global, we equip our pupils to navigate and understand the complexities of our interconnected world.

Guided by the National Curriculum and the Geography Association's framework, our intent is to create a dynamic learning journey where students not only develop fluency in geographical concepts but also build empathy, enabling them to appreciate diverse perspectives and respond thoughtfully to global challenges.

# **Implementation:**

Our geography curriculum is carefully structured to reflect a spiral approach, revisiting key concepts, places, and topics over time to deepen pupils' understanding. Lessons are sequenced deliberately to build upon prior knowledge, ensuring progression is dynamic and personalised to the learning journey of each pupil.

Themes and case studies are selected with intentional relevance, connecting pupils' rural experiences to broader geographical contexts. This includes exploring contrasts between local and global environments, as well as investigating both physical and human geography.

We use a wide variety of teaching strategies and resources to engage pupils, such as map work, field studies, and investigative tasks that develop critical geographical skills. Teachers emphasise disciplinary knowledge, encouraging pupils to think geographically by exploring

patterns, processes, and relationships. Learning is enriched by meaningful links to other areas of the curriculum, including science, history, and citizenship.

# Impact:

By the time pupils leave The Vine Schools, they have developed a deep understanding of geography that equips them to think critically about the world and their place within it. They demonstrate fluency in key geographical concepts, investigative skills, and the ability to make connections between their local surroundings and global issues.

Our pupils leave with a sense of excitement about the world, empowered to act as responsible and informed global citizens. They can interpret and analyse the dynamic relationships between physical and human environments and apply their knowledge to real-world contexts.

The curriculum's emphasis on revisiting and building upon knowledge ensures that pupils retain what they have learned, enabling them to articulate their understanding confidently. This strong foundation prepares them for future geographical studies and fosters a mindset that values curiosity, empathy, and a commitment to addressing the challenges of our world.

# **The Vines Geography Skills Progression Map**

EYFS ELG	Understanding the World People, Culture and Com The Natural World		<ul> <li>Articulate details about their current surroundings by utilizing information gained through observation, discussions, narratives, non-fiction texts, and maps.</li> <li>Elaborate on resemblances and distinctions between daily life in their country and that in other nations, referencing insights from stories, non-fiction texts, and, when relevant, maps.</li> <li>Recognise parallels and variances in the natural surroundings nearby and diverse environments, incorporating personal experiences and knowledge acquired in class readings.</li> <li>Comprehend key processes and transformations occurring in the natural environment, encompassing an understanding of seasonal changes.</li> </ul>		
	KS1		vc2	KS2	
			KS2 ical Skills and Fieldwor	UKS2 k	
Ask simple geographical questions e.g. What is it like to live in this place?  Use simple observational skills to study the geography of the school and its grounds.  Use simple maps of the local area e.g. large scale, pictorial etc.  Use locational and directional language (e.g. near and far; left and right) to describe the location of features and routes  Make simple maps and plans e.g. pictorial place in a story		do you think about that? Wh like ifcontinues? Analyse evidence and draw c comparisons between locatic photos/pictures e.g. populati	this? How is it changing? What hat do you think it might be conclusions e.g. make ons using aerial ion, temperatures etc.  ple hold different views about tand some of the reasons	Understand and use a widening range of geographical terms e.g. specific topic vocabulary - climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes, and the water cycle  Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied  Understand and use a widening range of geographical terms e.g. specific topic vocabulary - urban, rural, land use, sustainability, tributary, trade links etc.	

Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries, as well as the countries, continents and oceans studied at this key stage	Understand and use a widening range of geographical terms e.g. specific topic vocabulary - meander, floodplain, location, industry, transport, settlement, water cycle etc.	
Use simple compass directions (North, South, East and West) and locational and directional language e.g. near and far; left and right, to describe the location of features and routes on a map	Understand and use a widening range of geographical terms e.g. specific topic vocabulary - contour, height, valley, erosion, deposition, transportation, headland, volcanoes, earthquakes etc. Measure straight line	
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.	distances using the appropriate scale  Explore features on OS maps using 6 figure grid references	
Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical features, including: beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill,	Draw accurate maps with more complex keys	
mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, valley, vegetation, season and weather Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer.	Plan the steps and strategies for an enquiry	

Understand how some places are linked to other places e.g. roads, trains

Name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans

Name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom

Name, locate and identify characteristics of the seas surrounding the United Kingdom

Identify where counties are within the UK and the key topographical features

Name and locate the cities of the UK.

Recognise the different shapes of continents

Demonstrate knowledge of features about places around him/ her and beyond the UK

Identify where countries are within Europe; including Russia

Recognise that people have differing quality of life living in different locations and environments Know how the locality is set within a wider geographical context

Identify and describe the significance of the Prime/ Greenwich Meridian and time zones including day and night

Recognise the different shapes of countries

Identify the physical characteristics and key topographical features of the countries within North America

Know about the wider context of places e.g. county, region and country

Know and describe where a variety of places are in relation to physical and human features

Know location of: capital cities of countries of British Isles and U.K., seas around U.K., European Union countries with high populations and large areas and

the largest cities in each continent

Locate the world's countries, using maps to focus on Europe (including the location of Russia) and North and South America, concentrating on their environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics, countries, and major cities

Identify the position and significance of latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern Hemisphere,

Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic Circle, the

Prime/Greenwich Meridian and time zones (including day and night)

ther patterns around the World and relate these to rs erode, transport and deposit materials ures of coasts and begin to understand erosion and
ect the environment over time aspects of physical geography, including: getation belts, rivers & mountains. volcanoes and cycle
d
to manage and sustain their
aspects of human geography, including: types of nomic activity including trade links, and the ces including energy, food, minerals and water

Place Knowledge						
Name, describe and compare familiar places	Recognise there are similarities and differences between place	Compare the physical and human features of a region of the UK and a region in North America, identifying similarities and differences				
Link their homes with other places in	Develop an awareness of how places relate each other					
their local community	Know about the wider context of places - region, country	Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom and South America				
Know about some present changes that are happening in the local environment e.g. at school	Understand why there are similarities and differences between places					
Suggest ideas for improving the school environment						
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						

# **The Vines Geography Knowledge Progression**

# **EYFS**

The 2021 Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) Framework highlights the importance of children developing an understanding of both their physical environment and their community to help them make sense of the world. In the Early Years, our aim is to build children's knowledge of subject-specific language and introduce key concepts such as chronology, continuity and change, as well as identifying similarities and differences.

	Nursery to Reception					
Breadth of study	Statutory ELG: The Natural World					
	Children meeting the expected level of development will:					
	Explore and observe the natural world around them, creating drawings of animals and plants;					
	<ul> <li>Identify similarities and differences between their surroundings and contrasting environments, based on their experiences and class readings;</li> </ul>					
	Develop an understanding of key natural processes and changes, such as seasons and states of matter.					
	Statutory ELG: People, Culture and Communities					
	Children will:					
	<ul> <li>Describe their environment using observations, discussions, stories, non-fiction texts, and maps;</li> <li>Recognise similarities and differences between various religious and cultural communities in the country, drawing on personal experiences and classroom readings;</li> <li>Compare and contrast life in their own country with life in other nations, using knowledge from stories, non-fiction texts,</li> </ul>					
	and, where appropriate, maps.					

What we explore
The World – Where in the world are we?
Continents, UK, Wiltshire.

Yearly KS1		KS2	IS2				
Overview	Year A	Year B	Year A	Year B	Year C	Year D	
Term 1 & 2	Local environment and simple maps, human and physical features.	Local environment and simple maps, human and physical features.	Bristol – What is it like in the Big City?	Rivers – How do rivers shape our country and world?	Farming in the UK	Moja Island – How has climate changed impacted this island?	
Term 3 & 4	London and London landmarks, UK countries and capital cities Journeys and Maps.	Seas and oceans  Lighthouses – human and physical features	Migrations and Windrush  – How would I feel if I moved to a country, I knew little about?	North America	Active planet (volcanos and earthquakes) – What is like to live in a place that experiences natural disasters?	Our country, our world, our universe – What is my place in the universe?	
Term 5 & 6	Continents, seas and oceans, comparing hot and cold places, human and physical geography revisit.  Our continent, compare UK and France, sports around the world,	Weather and Seasons  (revisit continents and oceans from year A)		Mountains	Tomorrows world – How is the climate and the world around us changing?	UK: Transport, trade and energy	
	UK and France, sports						

Breadth of	Local Environment	Local environment	<u>Bristol</u>	Rivers	Farming in The UK	Moja Island
Study						
	In our exploration of the	Continuing from Year A,	In our exploration of	Describe and	Describe and understand	In the exploration of Moja
<u>National</u>	local environment,	our exploration of the	Bristol, students delve	understand key aspects	key aspects of physical	Island, students will delve
<u>Curriculum</u>	young learners delve	local environment	into the city's physical	of physical geography:	geography including:	into the realms of human and
<u>link:</u>	into the world right	deepens, focusing on	and human geography,	rivers.	climate zones, biomes	physical geography with a
	outside their doorstep.	changes and connections	drawing comparisons to		and vegetation belts.	focus on climate and climate
	We focus on recognizing	within our community.	our village in Wiltshire.			change. Through interactive
Location	familiar places and	Children learn basic	We examine Bristol's	Identify waterfalls and		lessons and discussions,
Location	things around us, like	mapping skills to navigate	urban landscape,	·	Describe and understand	students will gain an
	parks, schools, and	and locate places,	including its position on	how they are formed.	key aspects of human	understanding of the island's
	rivers. Through simple	including cities in the UK.	the River Avon, and		, ,	unique geographical features,
Place	maps, children start to	Mapping projects go	contrast it with the rural		geography: types of settlement and land use.	climate patterns, and the
	understand how to find	beyond marking spots,	setting of our village.	Look closely at the	sectiement and land use.	impact of climate change on
	their way and locate	now encompassing a	Through this comparative	water cycle and the		its environment. Utilizing
l	different places on	simple understanding of	study, students identify	role it plays in creating		maps and relevant resources,
Human and	paper. Together, we	our evolving local	key differences in	rivers.	Understand geographical	students will analyze the
Physical	create maps of our own	landscape. We explore	economic activities,		similarities and	geography of Moja Island,
Geography	community, marking	how human activities and	cultural diversity, and		differences through the	pinpointing locations and
	special places and	nature shape our	landmarks, fostering a		study of human and	assessing how climate
	learning about the hills,	surroundings. This hands-	deeper understanding of	North America	physical geography of a	influences the island's
	rivers, and other natural	on journey encourages	geographical variations	Identify the position	region of the United	landscape. The study of Moja
	features nearby. This	students to observe and	within our local region.	and significance of the	Kingdom.	Island will serve as a
	hands-on journey helps	reflect on transformations,	This hands-on approach	Tropics of Cancer and		contextualized exploration of
	kids see how people and	fostering appreciation for	allows them to apply map	Capricorn.		location and place, offering a
	nature work together in	the dynamic interplay	skills, analyse the impact	сарпсотт.	A II BI	hands-on approach to
	shaping our	between people and the	of urbanization, and		Active Planet	understanding the intricate
	surroundings, laying the	places we call home.	appreciate the dynamic		Explore fundamental	relationship between human
	groundwork for their		interplay between	Identify the position	aspects of physical	activities and environmental
	early understanding of		physical and human	and significance of the	geography by delving into	changes.
	geography.	Seas and Oceans	geography.	Prime/Greenwich	the dynamic forces of	
	Landan and C	Seas and Occans		Meridian and	volcanoes and	
	London and London	In our exploration of seas		understand time zones,	earthquakes. Gain	
	landmarks.	and oceans, young	Migration and Windrush	considering the	insights into the	
		learners set sail on a	iviigi acion ana vviiial asii		geological phenomena	
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In our exciting journey to London, young explorers discover the bustling city and its famous landmarks. We delve into the heart of the capital, exploring iconic places like Big Ben, the Tower of London, and Buckingham Palace. Through simple maps, children learn to spot these exciting locations and understand where they are in the big city. We embark on a virtual tour, sharing the magic of London's rich history and diverse culture. Kids get to create their own mini-maps, marking these special landmarks and understanding how they fit into the city. This adventure not only introduces children to the wonders of London but also helps them grasp the basics of maps and the unique features that make a big city special.

captivating journey to discover the vast waters that cover our planet. Through engaging activities, children explore the different features of seas and oceans, learning about marine life and the importance of these bodies of water. This adventure allows them to understand the connection between oceans and our global environment, laying the groundwork for their early appreciation of the wonders beneath the waves.

#### **Lighthouses**

In our exploration of lighthouses, young learners uncover the unique blend of human and physical features that make these structures special. Through interactive activities, children learn about the purpose of lighthouses, their role in guiding ships safely, and the different

We delve into the significant topic of migration, with a specific focus on the Windrush generation. This exploration aligns with the curriculum's goal of understanding key aspects of social and historical phenomena. Students actively engage in unravelling the narratives of migration, examining the impact of the Windrush era on the cultural landscape. Through this lens, they develop a broader perspective on demographic shifts and cultural diversity, enhancing their comprehension of human geography. This study not only fulfils curriculum objectives but also encourages critical thinking as students analyse the societal implications of migration, fostering a more profound awareness of

concept of day and night.

Comprehend geographical parallels and distinctions by exploring the human and physical geography of a specific region in North America.

Locate the world's countries using maps, with a specific focus on North America, highlighting key physical and human features, countries, and major cities.

# **Mountains**

Articulate and comprehend fundamental elements of physical geography, including mountains and the water cycle, establishing cross-curricular connections with Science,

that shape our planet. Simultaneously, develop the skill to identify positions using latitude and longitude, understanding the significance of the Equator and the division between the Northern and Southern Hemispheres. These explorations will deepen your understanding of the Earth's dynamic features and spatial coordinates.

# **Tomorrows World**

In our exploration of
"Tomorrow's World,"
older students delve into
the dynamic changes
shaping our climate and
the world. We investigate
the impact of human
activities on the
environment, studying
the shifting climate
patterns and the
consequences for
ecosystems. Through

# Our Country, our world, our universe – What is my place in the universe?

Exploring Wiltshire within the context of "Our Country, Our World, Our Universe" offers a unique opportunity for students to connect with their local environment and consider their place within the broader universe. This topic emphasizes both human and physical geography, encouraging students to investigate the distinctive features of Wiltshire and its role in the larger geographical context. Through map analysis, students will identify key locations within Wiltshire, discerning human settlements, topographical features, and historical landmarks.

Field trips and local excursions will complement classroom learning, allowing students to observe and engage with the physical

# Continents, seas and oceans

In our global exploration, young learners journey across continents and oceans. We discover the vast lands and big waters that make up our world. Through simple maps, children learn to recognize the major continents like Africa, Asia, and North America, as well as the oceans like the Atlantic and Pacific. Together, we marvel at the diversity of animals and people living in different parts of our planet. This adventure introduces kids to the basics of world geography, fostering an early understanding of the vastness and variety that make Earth a truly special place.

Our continent and comparing UK to France

designs they can have.
This journey encourages
them to explore the
relationship between
human ingenuity and the
natural elements,
fostering an early
understanding of how
structures like lighthouses
shape our coastal
landscapes.

## **Weather and Seasons**

In our journey through weather and seasons in KS1. children will discover the wonders of the changing atmosphere and the distinct seasons that paint our world in various hues. Through fun activities, they'll explore the traits of each season, learning how weather affects their surroundings. This hands-on exploration not only sparks curiosity about the natural world but also introduces the concept of cyclical weather patterns and the

global and local dynamics.

Identify and place counties and cities within the United Kingdom, recognize key topographical features such as hills, mountains, coasts, and rivers, and understand land-use patterns. Additionally, gain insights into the historical evolution of some of these aspects over time.

particularly focusing on

the Water Cycle.

interactive maps and data analysis, students examine how different regions are affected by climate change. We explore environmental challenges, such as rising temperatures, changing weather patterns, and the importance of sustainable practices. The comparison of historical and current data allows students to understand the evolving nature of our planet. As responsible global citizens, we discuss ways to address these challenges and work towards a more sustainable and resilient future. This inquiry-based journey equips students with the knowledge and skills to navigate the complexities of tomorrow's world.

geography of Wiltshire firsthand. Discussions will delve into the historical, cultural. and economic aspects of the region, fostering an appreciation for the interconnectedness between people and their local surroundings. By considering Wiltshire within the broader framework of our country. world, and universe, students will gain a well-rounded understanding of geography and their place in the multifaceted tapestry of the universe.

# The UK: Transport, trade and energy.

Examine and comprehend fundamental elements of human geography, specifically economic activities such as trade links.

Identify and place counties and cities within the United Kingdom, recognizing geographical regions and their distinctive human and

	unique features that		physical attributes, significant
	define each season.		topographical features like
In our exploration of	our		hills, mountains, coastlines,
continent, children			and rivers, as well as patterns
discover the unique			of land use. Additionally,
characteristics that			grasp the historical evolution
make our part of the			of some of these aspects over
world special. We			time.
compare the UK and			
France, two			
neighbouring countr	ies		
with distinct cultures	5,		
languages, and			
landmarks. Through			
simple maps, we			
identify where these			
countries are located	t		
and appreciate the			
differences in their			
geography. Moving			
beyond our borders,	we		
peek into the exciting	g		
world of sports,			
discovering games			
played in different			
countries. We learn			
about countries all			
around the globe,			
understanding that			
people live in diverse			
places with their own	n		
languages, traditions	5,		
and ways of life. This	5		
journey introduces			
young minds to the			

	richness of our world, promoting a sense of curiosity and understanding about the global community.					
Breadth of	Local Environment	Local Environment	Bristol & Migration	Rivers	Farming in the UK	The UK: Transport, trade
Study			<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u></u>	and energy.
,				Utilize fieldwork	Use fieldwork to observe,	
<u>National</u>				techniques to observe,	measure, record and	Beyond the classroom,
<u>Curriculum:</u>	In our fieldwork	In Year B, our fieldwork	Children can combine	measure, record, and	present the human and	learners venture into the
	adventures, KS1	adventures expand	both topics and look at	present findings related	physical features in the	local community to observe
	students explore the	beyond the school	how Bristol has been	to physical features in	local area using sketch	and analyse various modes of
Fieldwork	wonders of our school	grounds. Equipped with	impacted by migration,	the local area.	maps.	transportation, from roads to
Fieldwork	grounds. Equipped with	newfound knowledge,	by doing a harbour walk.			railways. Armed with
	curiosity and simple	students explore nearby				investigative tools, they
	observation tools, young	parks and community		Employ Ordnance	Use Ordnance Survey	document traffic patterns,
	explorers investigate the	spaces. Using enhanced		Survey maps to	maps to build their	study transportation
	natural and human-	observation tools, they		enhance their	knowledge of the United	infrastructure, and explore
	made features around	observe changes in nature,		understanding of the	Kingdom and the wider	the impact of mobility on our
	them. From the	identify landmarks, and connect with the broader		geography of the	world.	surroundings. Through
	playground to the garden, these hands-on	local environment. These		United Kingdom.		hands-on experiences,
	experiences deepen	experiences deepen their		5		students gain a nuanced
	their understanding of	understanding of		<u>Mountains</u>		understanding of the
	the local environment,	geography while fostering			Active Planet	interconnectedness between
	fostering a connection	a sense of responsibility		Use the eight points of	Lico oight noight of	transport systems and the
	between classroom	a sense of responsibility		a compass, four and	Use eight points of a	geography of our area. This
	Setween classiconii			six-figure grid	compass to build their	fieldwork not only enhances

learning and the world	for the spaces we share	references, symbols to	knowledge of the wider	their geographical skills but
right outside our school	ol beyond the school gates.	build their knowledge	world.	also instills an appreciation
doors.		of the United Kingdon	n	for the role of transportation
		and the wider world.		in shaping the communities
			Begin to use four and six grid references to build their knowledge of The United Kingdom.	we inhabit.

# **Key Concepts:**

Place, Location, Human processes and features, physical processes and features, Climate, Environmental Impact, Mapping and geographical data, cultural understanding and diversity.

appreciating the value of local spaces in our daily lives.

# London and London landmarks

For KS1, delving into London's "place" introduces children to recognising unique features in our capital city. Through engaging activities and simple observations, pupils identify significant places such as Buckingham Palace, the Tower of London, or a favourite park, fostering a connection to these iconic locations. This exploration lays the foundation for understanding the concept of "place" within the broader context of our vibrant capital, encouraging an early appreciation for the diversity and significance of London's spaces.

Our continent, seas and oceans and comparing UK to France hands-on exploration enhances their appreciation of the diverse places around the world and how weather plays a crucial role in shaping the environments we encounter. Bristol shape the city's identity, influencing everything from cuisine to festivals, making it a lively and culturally enriched place to live and learn.

# Migration and Windrush

In KS2, our exploration of place delves into the rich history of the Windrush Generation and the theme of migration. Students investigate the cultural tapestry woven by those who arrived on the HMT Empire Windrush, contributing to the diverse places within our community. Through engaging activities and discussions, learners grasp the significance of migration in shaping the places we call home. This exploration not only deepens their understanding of historical events but also encourages empathy and appreciation for the various influences that define our local and national spaces.

River in Arizona, United States.

Manhattan is the business and entertainment centre of New York City. It is the most populated city in the US. It is on the East Coast of the USA.

## **Mountains**

In the UK, Ben Nevis is the highest mountain, in the Grampian range – they occupy most of the Highland region. Grampian range occupy over half of Scotland – it is one of the 'three peaks' agriculture, exploring the dynamic relationship between farming practices and the environment.

evolved into a prominent European destination, renowned for conventions and shopping.

# Our Country, our world, our universe – What is my place in the universe?

Students delve into the tapestry of places that define our country, our world, and the expansive universe.

Through engaging activities, they explore diverse landscapes and cultures, laying the foundation for a deeper understanding of the unique features that make each place special.

	In KS1, we begin to					
	explore continents,					
	recognising the vast					
	landmasses that					
	shape our world.					
	Through simple					
	activities, children					
	identify major					
	continents like					
	Europe, Africa, and					
	Asia. This early					
	exploration lays the					
	groundwork for					
	understanding the					
	broader concept of					
	continents and the					
	diverse places they					
	encompass.					
Location	Local Environment	Local Environment	Bristol	North America	Farming in the UK	Moja Island
	Our school is situated	In Year B, as we revisit our	<u> </u>	The USA is located in	The south-east of England	In our exploration of Moja
	in the county of	local environment studies,	Bristol sits in the south	the continent of North	predominantly engages in	Island, children will learn
	Wiltshire, which is in	students delve deeper into	west of England. Our	America.	arable farming, while the	about its unique location and
	the country of the	understanding the location of	village sits in-between	It is in the northern	northern and western	the environmental challenges
	United Kingdom.	our school in the county of	Bristol and London and	hemisphere and	regions, such as Snowdonia	it faces. Nestled in a distant
	Positioned in the	Wiltshire, within the United	is on the motorway	surrounded by the	and the Lake District,	part of the world, Moja Island
	northern hemisphere,	Kingdom. Through more	(M4) that runs parallel	Atlantic Ocean to the	specialize in hill sheep	is affected by rising sea levels
	Wiltshire is	advanced activities, learners	to our school.	east and Pacific Ocean	farming. These highland	due to climate change.
	surrounded by the countryside to the	explore the broader context of		tot eh west. Made up of 50 states.	areas experience cool summers and substantial	Children will discover the
	east and west. It's a	our town, identifying key landmarks, local features, and	Migration and	Lines of latitude	rainfall. Moving towards the	island's geographical features, understand how human
	vibrant place, made	the relationship between our	Windrush	indicate that the USA	south-west and west of	processes contribute to its
	up of different	town and the surrounding	Originating from	has 6 time zones.	England, dairy farming is	vulnerability, and explore ways
	neighbourhoods,	countryside. We introduce	Jamaica, the HMT		prevalent due to the warm	to address these challenges.
	parks, and the local	more nuanced geographical	geographical	<b>Mountains</b>	and wet climate. These	Through engaging activities,
	high street. Our town	concepts, laying the	significance as it sailed	Mountain	regions benefit from	they'll gain insights into the
	is located in the	foundation for later	to London after World	environments make up	excellent transport links and	importance of protecting

county of Wiltshire, and although it doesn't have time zones like countries. we have our own unique local time that sets the rhythm for our daily activities.

### **London and London** landmarks

London, the capital city of the United Kingdom, is located in the southeast part of England. Positioned along the River Thames. London is known for its iconic landmarks such as the Tower of London. Buckingham Palace, and the British Museum. The city is a vibrant hub with diverse neighborhoods, parks, and cultural attractions. As we explore London, students learn about its central location in the country and its historical significance. Through engaging activities, they develop a growing understanding of London's unique position and its role as a major global city.

discussions on regional characteristics and the importance of local geography. This revisited exploration enhances students' understanding of location and prepares them for more sophisticated map-related activities in the future.

Seas and Oceans In our exploration of location, young learners navigate the vast expanses of seas and oceans, understanding the positions of these water bodies on the Earth. Through engaging activities, children learn about the locations of major seas and oceans, discovering how they connect different parts of the world. This exploration helps them grasp the idea of global geography, laying the foundation for their early awareness of the specific locations and interconnectedness of seas and oceans.

War II, marking a notable migration event. This journey highlights the geographical link between Jamaica and the United Kingdom, shaping the cultural landscape and demographics. As students explore the Windrush's origin, they gain insights into the geographical connections that influence historical events and contribute to the diverse geography of the UK.

one-fifth of the Empire Windrush holds world's landscape. Mountains can often be found together in groups or mountain ranges. The world's major mountain ranges are: Rocky mountains, Andes, Alps and the Himalayas.

convenient access routes to markets, contributing to the success of their agricultural practices.

#### Active Planet

Sixty percent of all active volcanoes are located at the boundaries between tectonic plates, with a significant concentration along the "Ring of Fire," encircling the Pacific Ocean. Simultaneously, the circum-Pacific seismic belt, known as the world's greatest earthquake belt, aligns with the rim of the Pacific Ocean. where approximately 81% of the planet's largest earthquakes take place. This interconnected geological activity provides a vivid illustration of the dynamic forces shaping our planet along tectonic plate boundaries.

places like Moja Island and fostering a sense of global responsibility for the wellbeing of our planet.

## The UK: Transport, Trade and Energy

Situated in the West Midlands, a metropolitan county in central England, Birmingham comprises seven metropolitan boroughs. These include the city of Birmingham (the second-largest city in England), the city of Coventry, and the boroughs of Dudley, Sandwell, Solihull, Walsall, and Wolverhampton.

# Our Country, our world, our universe - What is my place in the universe?

This unit focuses on geography, starting with our country's unique features and landmarks. Students then broaden their perspective to explore diverse landscapes and cultures around the world. Finally, they delve into the cosmic scale, understanding Earth's place in the universe. This progressive journey enhances their geographical knowledge from local to global and beyond.

Human					
Processes and					
Features					

#### **Human Processes**

# **Local Environment**

Our exploration now focuses on understanding human processes and features within our local environment. Through engaging activities, young learners discover the various ways people contribute to our community, identifying key features like houses, shops, and schools. This exploration lays the foundation for understanding how communities function and the ways in which people play a vital role in shaping and enhancing the places we call home.

# London and London landmarks

Exploring London, students discover the city's human processes and features. From iconic

## **Local Environment**

In Year B, our exploration of people and places in our local community deepens. Through hands-on activities, young learners delve into the roles of different places like schools and shops. This builds on their understanding of how people contribute to shaping our community, setting the stage for more discoveries about the dynamic connections between people and places.

#### Lighthouses

Focusing on lighthouses, young learners understand their roles in maritime activities. Through interactive activities, children learn about building, maintaining, and operating lighthouses, grasping the human ingenuity behind these structures. This exploration fosters early awareness of the human processes ensuring the effectiveness and significance of lighthouses along coastlines.

#### Weather and Seasons

children explore how humans adapt to weather and seasons. Through engaging activities, they discover how people dress and organise events

#### **Bristol**

Bristol thrives as a vibrant city with a rich maritime history. Every year, countless visitors flock to Bristol's bustling harbors, exploring its maritime heritage and enjoying boat tours, waterfront festivals, and seafood delights. From pirate tales to modern sea adventures, Bristol's maritime charm attracts both locals and tourists, creating a lively tapestry of nautical experiences.

#### Migration

The phenomenon of migration is a dynamic force shaping communities around the world. Millions of people embark on journeys in search of new opportunities, safety, and a better life. This global movement creates a mosaic of cultures, as individuals bring their unique stories, traditions, and perspectives to different corners of the globe. From the bustling streets of

## **North America**

Delving into North America, our exploration uncovers captivating human features that shape this vast continent. From the bustling cityscapes of New York to the cultural richness of Mexico City, students engage in activities that unveil the dynamic interplay of people and places. This journey deepens their understanding of the diverse features shaped by human processes across North America, fostering a sense of connection to the vibrant landscapes and landmarks of this expansive continent.

#### **Tomorrows World**

In our exploration of Tomorrow's World, the focus turns to the significant human features influenced by climate change. Students investigate how communities are adapting to evolving environmental conditions, from sustainable urban developments to innovative technologies. Engaging activities reveal the dynamic relationship between people and their changing surroundings. This exploration deepens their understanding of the human processes shaping Tomorrow's World amidst climate challenges, fostering a sense of responsibility and resilience for the future.

## Moja Island

In our Moja Island topic, children will also explore the human processes that contribute to the island's challenges. They'll understand how activities like burning fossil fuels and deforestation, which happen far away from Moja Island, can lead to climate change. This, in turn, accelerates the melting of ice caps and rising sea levels, impacting the island. Through discussions and activities, children will learn about the connection between human actions and the environmental changes affecting places like Moja Island. It's an important lesson in understanding our responsibility to address human processes that contribute to climate issues and the need for global cooperation to protect vulnerable regions.

# The UK: Trade, Transport and Energy

The United Kingdom has an average population density of 259 individuals per square kilometre. Approximately 83% of the population resides in towns and cities, with the majority of employment now

landmarks like Big Ben to vibrant markets and diverse neighborhoods, young learners identify the ways people shape the dynamic features of the capital. Engaging activities provide insights into the roles of institutions, businesses, and cultural spaces, deepening their understanding of how human processes create the unique tapestry of London.

based on different weather conditions. This hands-on approach develops their awareness of how communities respond to and thrive in various seasons. urban centers to the quiet corners of rural landscapes, migration weaves a rich tapestry, fostering diversity and interconnectedness on a global scale.

concentrated in the service sector. Over time, there has been a notable shift in industries from primary and secondary to service-oriented ones, though Birmingham retains some manufacturing, particularly in cars and car parts.

The principal exports of the UK include cars, machinery, medicinal products, metals, oil, and chemicals. Extensive road and railway networks connect various parts of the country.

#### **Human Features**

# London and London landmarks

London is a city filled with iconic landmarks like Big Ben and Buckingham Palace, showcasing unique human features. The bustling streets feature red doubledecker buses and black cabs, while parks such as Hyde Park offer green spaces. Diverse

#### **Lighthouses**

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## **Bristol**

Bristol, a vibrant city in the southwest of the United Kingdom, boasts a tapestry of human features that make it a captivating destination. Its historic architecture, ranging from the iconic Clifton Suspension Bridge to the charming harborside warehouses. narrates tales of the city's past. Modern skyscrapers stand alongside centuries-old buildings, creating a

#### North America

New York has one the most densely populated districts in the world.
Buildings are built in skyscraper style. Land has been reclaimed from the sea to create more space for people to live.
Districts and landmarks (statue of liberty, Met Gala, Empire State Building, Ground Zero) have become well known.

## Farming in the UK

In the UK, there are more than 150,000 farms, and human factors, including proximity to markets, play a crucial role in certain types of farming, like market gardening. The primary farming categories in the UK include arable farming, which involves cultivating crops like cereals and vegetables; pastoral farming, centered on raising animals such as cows and sheep; and

# The UK: Trade, Energy and Transport

The United Kingdom is connected by an extensive network of roads and railways.

Power generation in the UK encompasses various methods. Energy is produced through gas-fired power stations, nuclear power, and coal combustion. Additionally, renewable energy sources, such as wind, solar, and hydropower, are employed to generate power.

	neighborhoods like		unique blend of old and		mixed farming, which	
	Covent Garden and		new. The city is a		combines both crop	
	Borough Market add		cultural hub, with		cultivation and animal	
			museums, galleries, and		rearing.	
	to the vibrancy with a		theaters showcasing a		rearing.	
	mix of shops and		diverse range of artistic			
	markets. Different		expressions. Bristol's			
	types of houses and		lively neighborhoods,			
	apartments		each with its own			
	contribute to the		character, contribute to			
	varied human		a sense of community,			
			and the bustling street			
	features, making		markets and festivals			
	London a dynamic		add a dynamic flair.			
	and exciting place.		Education and			
			innovation thrive with			
			prestigious universities			
			and tech hubs, making			
			Bristol a city where			
			history, culture, and			
			progress harmoniously			
			coexist.			
Physical			Physic	cal Processes		
Processes	Land Continuous	Land Fording on the		84	A - ti Dit	I
and	Local Environment In our local	Local Environment		Mountains The control plates	Active Planet	
Features	environment, KS1	In Year B, our exploration of the local environment		They continental plates	Both volcanoes and earthquakes are	
reatures	children will discover			collide, they wrinkle,	manifestations of the Earth's	
		advances as KS1 children delve		and forming <b>fold</b>		
	fascinating physical processes that	deeper into understanding dynamic physical processes.		mountain ranges – the plates are still moving	dynamic forces. Volcanoes occur when magma rises to	
	transform our	They will observe and learn		towards each other,	the Earth's surface, forming	
	surroundings. They'll	about the transformative		making the mountain	bubbles of gas that can lead	
	observe how rain	effects of rain nurturing plants,		taller.	to pressure buildup within	
	nourishes plants,	wind shaping trees, and rivers		Dome mountain –	the mountain, eventually	
	wind sways trees, and	gradually altering the		smooth and round	resulting in an explosive	
	rivers slowly change	landscape by carrying pebbles		looking mountain. They	release. The solidified	
	the landscape by	downstream. Building on their		are formed when a	volcanic rock is referred to as	
	carrying pebbles	foundational knowledge,		great amount of melted	igneous rock. On the other	
	downstream. By	children will also explore more		rock (magma) pushes	hand, earthquakes are	
	watching clouds and	nuanced aspects such as the		its way up under the	typically generated by the	
	experiencing different	movement of clouds and the		its way up under the	sudden breaking of rock	
	experiencing unierent	movement of clouds and the			Sudden breaking of rock	

seasons, they'll learn about the natural wonders that shape the world right in their own backyard.

# Our continent, seas and oceans and comparing UK to France

In our exploration of continents, oceans, and seas, KS1 children will discover the fascinating physical processes that shape the Earth's vast features. They'll learn about the continents, understanding how natural forces contribute to their formation and movement. Exploring oceans and seas, they'll uncover the dynamic processes of currents and waves that connect distant parts of our planet. Through hands-on activities, young learners will gain insights into the everchanging geography of our Earth, developing a foundational understanding of the

distinct characteristics of different seasons. This progressive journey enhances their understanding of the natural wonders that continually shape our familiar surroundings.

#### Seas and Oceans

Discovering the natural dynamics of seas and oceans, young learners explore the effects of currents, tides, and marine life on these vast water bodies. This exploration lays the foundation for early awareness of the intricate relationships between nature's forces and the dynamic features of marine environments.

#### **Lighthouses**

Examining physical processes related to lighthouses, young learners understand the impact of weather, waves, and coastal erosion on these structures. This exploration fosters early awareness of the natural processes that lighthouses endure along coastlines.

earth's crust but doesn't flow out.

underground along a fault. This abrupt release of energy produces seismic waves, causing the ground to shake. The intensity of earthquakes is measured and recorded on the Richter scale. These natural phenomena provide insight into the dynamic and ever-changing nature of our planet's geological processes.

physical processes that mold our global environment.		Physic	cal Features		
Our continent, seas and oceans and comparing UK to	Weather and Seasons Children investigate the fascinating physical processes	Bristol Bristol is nestled within a diverse and	North America USA has several biomes including temperate	Farming in the UK The type of farming depends on the climate, the quality	The UK: Trade, Energy and Transport. There are 15 National Parks
France	tied to weather and seasons. Through interactive activities,	picturesque physical landscape. The city is	coniferous forests, desert, and Arctic	of the soil and the topography of the area. For	spanning England, Scotland, and Wales, all established
In our exploration of continents, oceans, and seas, KS1 children will uncover the captivating physical features that shape our planet. They'll identify the unique landscapes of continents and explore the distinct characteristics of coastlines and underwater environments in oceans and seas. Through hands-on activities, young learners will develop a foundational understanding of the diverse and fascinating physical features that contribute to the rich	they explore how natural forces like sunshine, rain, and wind shape the environment. This hands-on exploration deepens their understanding of how these processes influence the changing landscapes and create the distinct features associated with different seasons.  Seas and Oceans Delving into the physical features of seas and oceans, young learners explore the diverse landscapes beneath the waves. Through discovery activities, they encounter underwater mountains, coral reefs, and deep-sea trenches, gaining an early understanding of the fascinating physical features that characterize marine environments.	defined by the meandering flow of the River Avon, which adds a tranquil and scenic element to its surroundings. Hills and slopes, characteristic of the region, provide vantage points for panoramic views of the cityscape. The iconic Clifton Suspension Bridge spans the Avon Gorge, connecting hills on either side. Parks and green spaces, such as Brandon Hill and Castle Park, offer respites of nature within the urban setting. Bristol Channel, an estuary that opens into the Atlantic Ocean, influences the city's maritime character and offers a connection to	tundra. USA has 4 main climate zones, polar in Alaska, temperate, desert, and tropical in the South. Mississippi River is the second-longest on the continent and longest in the USA, with its basin including 32 states. Grand Canyon (case study) is a desert biome.  Mountains Mountains have a summit, or highest points, lopes at their sides, and the dip between mountains (valley) Avalanche happens when a slab of snow on a mountain becomes dislodged and moves	example, the flat, nutrient-rich land in the east of England is perfect for arable farming, whereas the wet and windy hills of central Wales are most suited to pastoral sheep farming.	since 1950. These parks are designed to safeguard the exceptional landscapes within their boundaries and offer recreational opportunities.  National Parks collectively cover 10% of England's total land area and 20% of Wales.  The topography of Britain is broadly categorized into highland and lowland by the Tees-Exe line. The highlands, featuring landmarks like Ben Nevis and Mount Snowdon, are situated to the north and west of the line, while the lowlands, including the Fens, are found to the south and east.

the broader waters

tapestry of o	_	beyond. This blend of waterways, hills, and architectural landmarks creates a captivating physical backdrop for Bristol.	down the mountain quickly.		
Climate  Our contine and oceans comparing to France  In the explo varying clim across conti children will about the di weather pat characterise places on Ea the warm an conditions in the icy temp of Antarctic discover the climates of A North and S America, Eu Australia. Er activities wi insights into fascinating environmen contribute t diversity of planet.	Delving into the physic features of seas and or young learners explored diverse landscapes ber the waves. Through disactivities, they encoun underwater mountains reefs, and deep-sea tre gaining an early underwater mountains of the fascinating physic features that character marine environments.  Weather and Seasons In our learning about of children will explore the different patterns of wand seasons in various They'll understand that climate is about the loaverage of weather co in a location. Through interesting activities, the discover how the kind climate in a place affect weather and seasons the waves. Through diverse landscapes ber the waves. Through diverse landscapes the waves.	temperate maritime climate, influenced by its coastal location. Winters are mild, with temperatures rarely dropping to extreme lows, and summers are generally cool. The city enjoys a fair share of rainfall throughout the year, creating lush greenery in its parks and gardens. The proximity to the Bristol Channel plays a role in moderating temperature extremes, making the climate relatively temperate. This maritime influence brings a touch of oceanic charm to the city, making it a comfortable and inviting place to explore year-round.  Migration and	North America Climate zones in the US vary with latitude (from arid in Texas in polar in Alaska). The USA has a largely warm temperate climate, with polar climates in the north and arid deserts in the mid-west. Florida has a tropical climate.  Tropic of Cancer is a line of latitude and know its location in relation to the equator (north) and the USA (just south).  Mountains Mountains have their own climate, sometimes called Alpine. The higher up you go, the colder it gets. They receive a lot of rainfall and snow at the top of mountains (temp. is so cold)	Farming in the UK Climate, relief and soils are the dominant factors in determining which crops will grow and which animals are suited to the landscape. Weather patterns determine they types of farming in the UK.	The UK: Transport, Trade and Energy The general climate is characterized as temperate maritime. This indicates mild temperatures, with winter lows seldom dropping below 0°C and summer highs often exceeding 32°C. Additionally, the climate is humid and experiences frequent fluctuations.

			tropical conditions, featuring warm temperatures throughout the year. The region experiences distinct wet and dry seasons, with high humidity levels. Tropical storms and hurricanes are common during the wet season, while the dry season brings sunny days and more stable weather.			
Environmental Impact	London and London landmarks In our London topic, KS1 children will learn about how the city affects the environment. They'll discover that while London is a busy and exciting place, the many cars and buses can make the air less clean. However, they'll also explore how London is trying to help by creating green spaces and encouraging recycling. It's an introduction to understanding how our actions impact the environment and how we can make	Seas and Oceans Discovering how people affect the seas and oceans, young learners explore how pollution, fishing, and conservation efforts impact these important water environments. Through simple activities, they gain early awareness of the connection between human actions and the health of marine life.  Weather and Seasons In understanding environmental impact, children will explore how human actions affect the world around us. Through simple activities, they'll discover the ways in which our choices impact the environment, from pollution	Bristol The dynamic growth and development of Bristol over the years have left a noticeable environmental impact on its surroundings. The expansion of the city, driven by factors such as increased population and economic activities, has reshaped local landscapes and ecosystems. Urbanization has led to alterations in land use, affecting green spaces and wildlife habitats. The demand for infrastructure, housing, and transportation has contributed to changes in air and water quality.	North America In our North America topic, children will explore how the continent's activities impact the environment. They'll discover that in some places, people use a lot of cars, which can affect the air. On the positive side, they'll learn about efforts to protect nature, like creating parks and taking care of animals. It's an introduction to understanding how people's actions in North America can have both positive and negative effects on the environment and why	Farming in The UK Intensive farming has a negative impact on the environment. Modern farming techniques include chemical pesticides, synthetic fertilizers and irrigation technologies. This damages the soil and chemicals are bad for human health. UN report that the amount of dairy and meat that people are consuming is fueling global warming. It is thought that cows, sheep and goats are responsible for up to 14% of all greenhouse emissions. Importing food from around the world via planes and ships has an environmental impact. Know as ' food miles'	Moja Island In our Moja Island topic, children will delve into the environmental impact on this unique island, which is sadly disappearing due to climate change. They'll explore how rising sea levels affect the land and the homes of the people and animals who live there. This presents a real-life example of how climate change can have serious consequences. Through engaging activities, children will learn about the importance of addressing climate change and protecting vulnerable places like Moja Island. It's an opportunity for

even in a big city like London.

sense of responsibility, fostering an early awareness of how we can contribute to the well-being of our planet. Children will learn that small actions can make a big difference in preserving the natural world for future generations.

and addressing its environmental impact becomes essential for sustainable urban planning and preserving the natural balance within and around the city.

# Migration and Windrush

The arrival and settlement of the Windrush Generation in the United Kingdom had a lasting environmental impact on both the host country and the regions they emigrated from. The increased demand for housing, infrastructure, and resources in urban areas influenced land use patterns and ecosystems. The expansion of cities to accommodate the growing population led to changes in local environments, affecting wildlife habitats and contributing to urbanization challenges. Additionally, the transportation and shipping involved in the migration process left an ecological footprint.

impact of environmental changes and the importance of taking action to preserve our planet.

# The UK: Transport, Trade and Energy.

The economic landscape of the United Kingdom has undergone a substantial shift, with the majority of jobs now concentrated in the service sector, departing from traditional activities like natural resource extraction and manufacturing. This transition is observable at the local level, as evidenced by Birmingham's historical association with mining.

Simultaneously, in the domains of trade, energy, and transportation, the UK faces environmental challenges. Notably, due to various economic activities, including widespread car usage, the country ranks as the secondlargest emitter of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases in Europe. Nevertheless, there is a positive trend as emissions are decreasing, attributed in part to the growing reliance on renewable energy sources. Aligned with global sustainability objectives, the government has

		Exploring the environmental consequences of the Windrush migration legacy sheds light on the interconnectedness of human movements and their broader effects on the world around us.  Mapping and geogra	aphical data		committed to achieving 'net zero' emissions by 2050, emphasizing a dedication to environmental responsibility
Manning Our continent soos	Seas and Oceans		-	Farming in the LIK	Moia Island
Mapping  Our continent, seas and oceans and comparing UK to France  Children will embark on an exciting mapping journey, exploring continents, seas, and oceans. Engaging activities witeach them how to represent these geographical features on a map, using simple symbols and colours to identify each continent and major bodies of water. Children will discover the placement of continents in relation to one another and understand the vastness of oceans and seas. As they navigate through this	map-reading skills and an appreciation for the diverse landscapes beneath the waves.	Bristol Our mapping curriculum aligns with the National Curriculum, emphasizing the use of 4-point and 6-point grid references. Through targeted lessons, students will grasp the fundamentals of map reading, honing their ability to locate and analyze features accurately. The 4-point grid references lay the foundation, teaching cardinal directions, while the progression to 6-point references introduces diagonal directions for enhanced precision. By mastering these skills, students not only meet curriculum objectives but also gain practical tools for navigating and understanding spatial	Mountains Embarking on an exploration of mountains, young learners delve into interesting facts about these majestic landforms. Through engaging activities, they discover details like elevations and shapes, using contour lines on maps to understand mountain heights and widths. This adventure introduces basic geographical data concepts, fostering an early appreciation for the valuable information that enhances our understanding of mountainous terrains. Additionally, we'll expand our mapping skills to locate countries globally, focusing on Europe (including	Farming in the UK Using ordnance survey maps, locate human and physical features in a local farm, asking questions such as 'Where are the farms located?' 'What does the map tell you about the topography of the farmland?' 'What type of farming do you think is in that area?' 'What evidence is there to support your ideas?'  On a local farm visit (linked with fieldwork) draw a sketch map, with a key, of the layout of a farm.	Moja Island Children will employ grid references as they delve into Moja Island's mapping exercises. Through these activities, they will learn how to precisely locate and identify specific points on the island, incorporating grid references to enhance their mapping skills. This practical application not only reinforces their understanding of geography but also provides a valuable tool for representing the changes in Moja Island's landscape due to climate change. The use of grid references adds a layer of precision to their mapping endeavours, offering a comprehensive approach to understanding both geographical concepts and the environmental challenges faced by places like Moja Island.

ieographical ata		Seas and Oceans Diving into cool facts about seas and oceans, young		Rivers Local OS maps and digital maps offer	Farming in the UK Using sketch maps drawn from the farm visit, suggest	Moja Island Children will explore and analyse geographical data
			complexities of human movement and the impact it has on both origin and destination areas.			
			geographical locations. Through mapping, students will gain insights into the			
			connecting historical events with			
			understanding of the migration process,			
			approach will provide a visual and spatial			
			arrival. This hands-on			
			identifying key points of departure, transit, and			
			Windrush Generation,			
			mapping exercises to trace the path of the			
			Students will engage in			
			the associated geographical context.			
	·		migratory routes and			
	world's diverse landscapes.		crucial role in understanding the	continents.		
	exploration of the		mapping will play a	cities across these		
	for their future		the Windrush journey,	countries, and major		
	concept of scale, laying a foundation		In our exploration of migration, particularly	key physical and huma characteristics,	n	
	symbols and the		Windrush	environmental regions		
	including the use of		Migration and	our understanding of	'	
	mapping skills,		world around them.	exploration will deeper		
	mapping adventure, they'll develop basic		relationships in the world around them.	Russia) and North and South America. This		

learners explore things like ocean depths, different sea creatures, and how big these water bodies are. Through fun activities, they start understanding basic geographical data, setting the stage for early discoveries about the fascinating world beneath the waves.

pinpointing the River Thames in Lechlade. These resources enable students to create detailed diagrams of the local map, leveraging their understanding of a river's course and distinctive features. Exploring an area allows children to enhance their diagrams by comparing them with the actual landscape, whether they are observing upstream or downstream. This onsite experience facilitates the identification and incorporation of any human or physical features that may not have been captured by local OS and digital maps, fostering a more comprehensive understanding of the river's environment.

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conclusions as to why it has used the land in a certain way.

#### **Active Planet**

Engaging in a case study on the 6.2 magnitude earthquake that struck the towns of Amatrice and Arquata del Tronto in central Italy in 2016 provides children with an opportunity to explore how a notable geographical event can reshape a landscape in the short or long term. By utilizing the Richter Scale, students can visualize and comprehend the seismic impact, allowing them to understand the magnitude of the earthquake and its effects on the affected areas. This hands-on study enables children to delve into the dynamic forces of nature and gain insights into the transformative changes brought about by significant geological activities.

related to Moja Island's changing environment. They will examine temperature trends, sea level data, and habitat maps to understand the impact of climate change on the island. Through handson activities, they will interpret charts and graphs, gaining insights into the environmental challenges Moja Island faces. This provides an opportunity for children to engage with realworld data, fostering their analytical and critical thinking skills while deepening their understanding of the geographical aspects of climate change.