

# **GEOGRAPHY**

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## **Purpose of Study**

Geography is all about the world and its wonders. At Asby, the Geography curriculum is designed to give our children the confidence and experience to help inform and shape ideas; investigating both the human and physical strands of this multi-faceted subject. Our aim is to enable children to become culturally literate global citizens. We place particular emphasis on themes such as sustainability, development and climate change. Geography offers the opportunity to study a range of topics that investigate the physical processes of our planet, human societies and the economic and environmental challenges within the local, national and global context. This gives students the confidence to interact with the wider world, leading to fulfilled and positive life experiences. The curriculum encourages students to ask questions, develop critical thinking skills, and layer a deeper understanding of complex concepts as the course navigates through the curriculum. Geographical skills are embedded within units of work throughout all key stages. Students develop their cartographic, graphical, ICT and GIS skills. Fieldwork enquiries enable students to apply their skills, knowledge and understanding within both human and physical Geography.

#### **National Curriculum**

- develop contextual knowledge of the location of globally significant places both terrestrial and marine including their defining physical and human characteristics and how these provide a geographical context for understanding the actions of processes
- understand the processes that give rise to key physical and human geographical features of the world, how these are interdependent and how they bring about spatial variation and change over time
- are competent in the geographical skills needed to: collect, analyse and communicate with a range of data gathered through experiences of fieldwork that deepen their understanding of geographical processes
- interpret a range of sources of geographical information, including maps, diagrams, globes, aerial photographs and Geographical Information Systems (GIS)
- communicate geographical information in a variety of ways, including through maps, numerical and quantitative skills and writing at length.

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Pupils should be taught to:	Pupils should be taught to:	Pupils should be taught to:
<ul> <li>Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps.</li> <li>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</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Locational knowledge</li> <li>name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans.</li> <li>name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas.</li> <li>Place knowledge</li> <li>understand geographical similarities and</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Locational knowledge</li> <li>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.</li> <li>name and locate counties and cities of the United Kingdom, geographical regions and their identifying human and physical</li> </ul>

- Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.
- Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons.

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.

## **Human and physical geography**

- identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom and 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: 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.

### Geographical skills and fieldwork

- 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.
- 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.
- use simple fieldwork and observational

- characteristics, key topographical features (including hills, mountains, coasts and rivers), and land-use patterns; and understand how some of these aspects have changed over time.
- 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).

### Place knowledge

 understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom, a region in a European country, and a region within North or South America.

### **Human and physical geography**

- describe and understand key aspects of: physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes, and the water cycle.
- human geography, including: types of settlement and land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water.

# Geographical skills and fieldwork

- use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied.
- use the eight points of a compass, four and six-figure grid references, symbols

skills to study the geography of their school and its grounds and the key human and physical features of its surrounding environment.	Survey maps) to build their knowledge of
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#### Content

Our high-quality geography curriculum enhances children's understanding, and interest, in the world. Units that focus on the physical strand of this subject, such as units on the Amazon and Arctic, equip children with an understanding of different landscapes and how to interpret them. Children's cartographic skills are developed throughout the school, from Year 1 to Year 6, in order for them to be confident map-readers that can access their local environment safely. Visits from experts, such as the local mountain rescue team, add value to this and give impetus to our curriculum.

Human Geography units, including topics such as pirates and Ghana, allow children to compare their experiences to that of others around the world. Across the curriculum, we place a huge amount of emphasis on themes such as sustainability and climate change. Whilst these topics are tackled in depth within units of work - for example the Rainforest unit in Key Stage 2 – we consistently apply these values across the school and the curriculum. As with other subjects, children are encouraged to ask questions, think critically and challenge different perspectives. This, in turn, allows them to develop their own world view.

# The contribution of Geography to teaching in other curriculum areas

**English** – Teachers have a responsibility to have high expectations of literacy in all subjects; Geography is no exception to this. Additionally, it is clear that, by the widening children's vocabulary through geography, we can improve outcomes in reading comprehension. Learners in upper Key Stage 2 will be expected to answer essay-style questions with high standards of written English.

**Mathematics** – To enjoy success in Geography, children need to be able to measure, read coordinates, compare data and represent their findings through the use of graphs. Through the rehearsal of this knowledge, the teaching of this subject will aid progress in maths, and vice versa.

**Computing** – Children will develop their skills using digital mapping and acquire and represent data based on fieldwork. At Asby, Computing is central to everything we do and children will use a range of programmes on Apple devices during Geography lessons, particularly Showbie.

**Personal, social and health education (PSHE) and citizenship** – by learning about different places, cultures and perspectives, children will not only have their horizons broadened, but they will also develop empathy; this is essential in order for the children to grow up to be active participants in society.

# **Quality of Education**

#### Intent

At Asby Endowed School, we are geographers! We aim to equip the children with the necessary foundational knowledge to enable them to grow up to be cartographers, town planners or conservationists. We aim to provide a purposeful, enriching curriculum that can give the children a greater understanding of their world. Learners should understand that there are two strands to this multi-faceted subject: physical and human. By the time that our children end their learning journey with us, they should have an understanding of the ordinary course of the earth, as well as the impact and behaviour of the humans that live on it. With regards to locational knowledge, children should be able to locate the countries of Europe, North and South America, as well as the regions, counties and cities of the United Kingdom. They should understand the characteristics of their local environment and the limits and benefits of these.

#### **Implementation**

At our school, Geography is taught every half-term for one hour per week. The subject is taught across the primary age range and units are blocked, to enable children to focus on each area in depth. Our skills progression geography ensures that children develop their knowledge and skills year-on-year. Locational knowledge is developed, not just through explicit teaching, but by the playing of games at lunch times. At the beginning of each unit of work, what the children already know will be recorded, in order for teachers to gauge progress across a half-term. Microsoft Forms will also be utilised for end-of-term assessments, to determine progress and retention of core knowledge. The use of educational visits, and visitors, ensures that the learning experiences of pupils is enhanced and linked to the real world around them. To help with the subject knowledge of staff, CPD opportunities are seized and used to further the experiences of children at school. Teachers model tasks effectively, ensuring that children understand tasks and meet the learning intentions of each lesson. As well as end-of-term assessments, practitioners effectively use assessment within each lesson to ensure that misconceptions are addressed and all children make progress in every lesson.

#### **Impact**

Children should make at least expected progress in Geography, based on their unique starting point. Pupils will leave Asby Endowed with an enthusiasm for the subject, which will be evidenced by pupil voice and their learning. When our children make the next step to high school, they will be equipped with the skills, knowledge and understanding to confidently continue their geography journey.

# **Progression of Knowledge**

Substantive knowledge focuses on the core elements of locational knowledge, place knowledge and human/ physical geography.

Disciplinary knowledge centres on the use of aerial, maps, globes and atlases. Furthermore, geographers' abilities are developed through the collection and manipulation of field data.

Key Knowledge	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Location	Know that there	Know and identify	Know and identify	Know and locate	Know the location	Name and locate	Know the location
Knowledge	are different	on a map the four	on a map the	cities and	of the world's	four countries	of some countries
	countries in the	countries that	seven continents	counties in	countries using	from the Northern	in relation to
	world and talk	make up the	(Europe, Asia,	England on a	maps (focus on	hemisphere and	others using a
	about the	United Kingdom	Africa, North	map.	North and South	four countries in	map (eg: the UK
	differences they	(England, Wales,	America, South		America).	the Southern	is north of
	have experienced	Scotland and	America,	Know the location		hemisphere.	France).
	or seen in photos.	Northern Ireland).	Australasia, Asia	of the world's	Know where the		
			and at Antarctica).	countries using a	Equator, Southern	Know what a	Know where the
	Know how to talk	Know the		map (focus on	and Northern	tropic is.	Equator, Tropic of
	about some	corresponding	Know and identify	Europe).	hemispheres are		Cancer and the
	specific features	capitals for the	on a map the five		on a map.	Know that the	Tropic of
	of an	countries of the	oceans (Atlantic,	Know the capital		Tropic of Cancer	Capricorn are on
	environment,	UK and identify	Pacific, Indian,	cities of key	Know and	is in the Northern	a world map.
	location or	them on a map	Arctic, Southern).	identified	compare and	Hemisphere.	Niama da a
	country that they	(London, Cardiff,		countries.	contrast key	17	Name the
	have been	Edinburgh and		Manage than	topographical	Know that the	countries that are
	learning about.	Belfast),		Know where the Southern and	features in the UK	Tropic of	on the Tropic of
		Know and		Northern	and other	Capricorn is in the Southern	Cancer.
		identified on a		hemispheres are	countries.	hemisphere.	Name the
		map the		on a map.	Use the lines of	nemisphere.	countries on the
		surrounding seas		011 а 111ар.	longitude and	Know the tropics	Tropic of
		of the UK (North		Know key	latitude to identify	and the regions	Capricorn.
		Sea, Atlantic		topographical	countries on a	where the sun	Сарпсоні.
		Ocean, English		features in the	map.	passes directly	Know to compare
		Channel and Irish		areas of the UK	тпар.	overhead.	and contrast land
		Sea).		and other	Know some Time	overnead.	use and the key
		oca).		countries.	zones and how	Know and	geographical
				oodininos.	they compare to	compare and	features in
				Know that	Greenwich Mean	contrast land use	countries and
				longitude lines go	Time.	and key	know changes
				vertically across		topographical	over time in the
				the map and		features in the UK	UK and begins
				latitude lines go		and other	comment on
				horizontally		countries.	changes over
				across the map.			time linked to
						Know world time	studies in Europe

				Know that there are time zones.		zones and compare them with Greenwich Mean Time.	and South and North America.
Place Knowledge	Know that some places are special to members of their community.  Know that there are different countries in the world and talk about the similarities and differences they have experienced or seen in photos.	Local: Know about the local surrounding area and our school.  Know that the United Kingdom is an island in Europe.  Now the all streets have a name and a post code.  Know their own address and the address of the school.  Know local buildings in the surrounding locality, (school, church, village hall) linked to the locality walk.  Know the types of houses in our local area.	UK: Know that the region we love it live in is called Cumbria.  Know that the continent we live in is Europe.  Europe: Know that the United Kingdom is a group of islands which are part of the European continent.  Know the similarities and difference between smaller of the United Kingdom and a smaller area noncontrasting at European country.  World: Know features of hot and cold place in the world, weather, housing and wildlife.	UK: Know what a country and know local counties.  Europe: Know the names and locate at least five European countries.  Know the names of the number of European capitals.  World: Now the main difference between living in the UK and another country.	UK: Know and explain details about the UK, including towns and cities and use and land use and topographical features.  Europe: Know how to compare two different places in different countries, including climate changes, language and famous landmarks in both places.  World: Know where the North and South America are.	Know the key geographical similarities and differences to in England, another country in the world.  Know the climate differences between two places.  Know the primary language spoken.  Know what both places are famous for.	Know how to compare and contrast living in the UK with another country in the world.  Know some geographical similarities and differences through the study of the human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom, a region in the Europe country, and a region within North and South America.
Human & Physical Geography	Develop positive attitudes by the differences between people.  Know that there	Know the weather is changeable and this makes the seasons.  Know that the	Know and name the following physical geographical vocabulary to describe a	Know key aspects of human geography and physical geography, such as how rivers are	To know and use key vocabulary related to aspects of human physical geography.	Know and discuss reasons for changes in climate and resulting climate change.	Know about land use for economic activity, including trade links and distribution of natural resources.
	are different countries in the world and talk about the	weather can be more than one season.	European and non-European settlement - coast, cliff,	formed and the water cycle.  To know news key	Know geographical processes and be able to explain	Know and describe geographical	Know and explain the impact of changes in the

	differences they have experienced or seen in photos.	Know weather- specific vocabulary and	mountain, beach, forest, hill, sea, ocean, river,	vocabulary relating to these features.	them such as in formation of mountains and	processes and features using key vocabulary.	land use over time.
	Talk about	linked word to the correct seasons, geographical	valley.  Know and nd		their effect on the water cycle.	Know how different settlers	
	members of their	language to	name the			used the land.	
	immediate family	describe the	following human				
	and community.	weather patterns	geographical				
		and record	vocabulary to				
	Now how to name	observations over	describe a				
	and describe	time using	European and				
	people who are	weather symbols.	non-European				
	familiar to them.	Know where the	settlement – city, town, village,				
	Recognise some	Equator, North	factory,				
	environments that	and South poles	farmhouse, office,				
	are different to the	are on the globe	port, harbour,				
	one in which they	and world map.	shop.				
	live.	•	•				
Geographical	Draw information	Know, from	Know the four	Know how to use	Know how to use	Know how to use	Use six-figure grid
Skills and	from a simple	undertaking field	points of the	world maps to	world maps to	graphs to record	reference on OS
Fieldwork	map.	work, that	compass, north,	identify countries	identify countries	features such as	maps to locate
		information be	east, south west).	of the world.	of the world and	temperature and	positions.
	Know how to	gathered about our local area	Know and use	Llee world mane	their capitals.	rainfall across the world.	Locate the
	draw a simple map and talk	through	positional	Use world maps to identify key	Use road maps to	world.	Equator, Tropic of
	about things they	observations.	language when	features such as	plan a journey.	Know that rainfall	Cancer and
	can see or have	observations.	describing	volcanoes.	pian a journey.	and temperature	Tropic of Cancer
	found out from the	Create a map of	location and		Use OS maps to	can be presented	Capricorn on a
	map.	the school	position.	Observe how land	build knowledge	in graphs and	map.
		grounds.	·	has been used	of the UK.	know how to	
	Know how to build		Know that the	using a range of		interpret this	Know what
	and create	Know their	orientation of a	OS maps aerial	Use four-figure	information.	various OS
	features of the	address including	compass is north.	photograhs.	grid reference to	1/12 a a al a	symbols
	environment in	the postcode.	Create a simple	Know and name	build knowledge of the UK.	Know and use	represent.
	their play and can talk about and	Know that we can	Create a simple map of the local	eight points the	of the OK.	symbols and keys to build their	Use lines of
	identified things	use atlas, globe	area with the key.	compass and use	Measuring record	knowledge of the	longitude and
	that they can see	and a map to find	area mar are key.	them in to	rainfall precisely	UK.	latitude to locate
	in the	out about	Know how to use	describe direction.	and make		places.
	environment, a	information about	a virtual map to		observations from	Use four-figure	
	photograph or	countries.	gather	Identify the North	their findings.	grid references on	Recognising
	map using some		information. Use	and Southern		OS maps to	news, time zones
	key vocabulary.	Know where the	index, search bar,	hemispheres.	Measure and	locate positions	and identified
		UK is on the world	zooming tool and		record	and know how	Greenwich
		map and globe.	orientation.		temperature	contour lines are	meridian.

Known Identify four countries of the UK on a map of the UK.  Now and identify the capital cities of the four countries of the world.  Know where the Equator, North Pole and South Pole are on the globe.	Know how to use aerial photographs, including Google Earth, to identify key landmarks, both physical and human.  Know and label the seven continents the world on a world map.	precisely and make observations from their findings.	used.	Use Google Earth to find countries, places of interests and follow a river.

# Progression of Vocabulary

EYFS - Reception	Year 1		Year 2		Year 3	
Building, Town, Farm, Road, Park, Path, People, Beach, Sea, Lake, River, Desert, Mountain/hill, Countryside, Forest/wood, Weather,		wn, village, city	Locational knowledge: Eart continent, country, ocean,	h, globe, Compare	North America, South America, Australia, Antarctica, continent,	
Seasons, Map, Local place, Globe	South America, equ Human and Phy Hot, cold, weathe	uator, Peru Human and Physical geography: Sand, ocean, weather, sea, seaside, town, map, shop stic, Middle East, summer, spring, buse Geographical skills and field Map, atlas, key, globe, farm, syntax		eography: a, water,	Place knowledge: UK, Europe,	
	dear, panda, arc autumn, winter, forest, hill, farm, ho Geographical skills Map, key, near, far				Human and Physical geography: Volcano, eruption, magma, crust, mantle, outer core, inner core, climate zones	
	village, town, city	, distance, school,			Geographical skills and field work: Map, atlas, globe, continent, country, north, east, south, west, compass	
Year 4		Year 5		Year 6		
Locational knowledge: Europe, map, location, hills, mountains, co	oasts, rivers	South America, cities, region, land use, county, Au		Australas	cational knowledge: Africa, Asia, stralasia, Oceania, environmental, human, /sical, hills, mountains, rivers	
Place knowledge: Thailand, America  Human and Physical geograp	Bangkok, North  ohy: Solid, liquid,	Africa, South Africa, Johannesburg. North		North Ar	knowledge: Region, United Kingdom, America, South America, Americas, ent, climate	
vapour, melt, freezing, boiling, wa	work: Map, atlas,	import, export,			man and Physical geography: Trade, port, fairtrade, export	
globe, continent, country, north, compass	easi, south, west,		ls and field work: Map, atlas, country, north, east, south,		graphical skills and field work: Map, atlas, e, continent, country, north, east, south,	

# **Long Term Planning**

# EYFS/KS1 3-year cycle

	Autumn		Sį	oring	Summer 1		
	History	Geography	History	Geography	History	Geography	
А	Toys from the	Toys around the	Famous	Jungles & Polar	The Great Fire of	London	
2022-2023	past – timeline	world	explorers through	Regions	London		
	of toys		history				
	Houses and	Comparison	Nurturing Nurses	Continents and	War and	Beside the seaside	
	Homes through	between Great		oceans	Remembrance		
В	time How the	Asby and an			(WWI)		
2023-2024	village has	African					
	changed over	Village					
	time						
	Travel and	Transport	Kings and	British Isles	Dinosaurs	Mapping our school	
	Transport	throughout the	Queens			and local area	
С	including space	world, how to					
2024-2025	travel	transport to					
		places over the					
		world					

KS2 4⋅year cycle

	Aut	tumn	Spi	ring	S	Summer	
	History	Geography	History	Geography	History	Geography	
A 2022 - 2023	Incredible	Incredible Egyptians		Exploring South America & the Mayans		Extreme Earth	
	Ancient Egyptians Israelites in Ancient Egypt	Desserts The River Nile - physical & human features Map & atlas work	Ancient Mayans	South America Map & atlas work	Roman, Anglo-Saxon and Tudor judicial systems. Dick Turpin and the different perceptions of his lifestyle. Victorian prison reform	Rivers, mountains, volcanoes, earthquakes and water cycle	
В		nt Britain		Stone Age to Iron Age		y Greeks!	
2023 - 2024	How Britain and the British people were affected by the events of WWII	Exploring the United Kingdom	Changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age	Physical and human features – changes over time	Ancient Greece – a study of Greek life and achievements and their influence on the western world	Investigating modern Greece	
С	A Look Around	Modern Europe	The Roman Invaders		Vikings v Anglo-Saxons		
2024 - 2025	History of Europe	Countries of Europe  – Physical and human features of modern Europe	The Roman Empire and its impact on Britain	Mapping the Roman Empire	Britains settlement be Anglo-Saxons and Scots The Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the kingdom of England to the time of Edward the Confessor	Exploring Scandinavia	
D 0005	British Memorable Monarchs			orests	1	& Ghana	
2025 - 2026	A study of an aspect or theme in British history beyond 1066	British Empire through the ages	Use of the rainforests over time	Rainforests: Physical and human features Atlas and map work	A local history study: Asby parish Benin Culture: a non-European society that provides contrasts with British history	Exploring Africa Ghana – Ankoma project	