Geography Skills Progression

Year 2			
NC POS	Knowledge	Skills	Vocabulary
Locational	Name, locate and identify	Use maps and globes to locate the UK.	world
and Place	the characteristics of the 4	Be able to identify the 4 countries and label the capital cities.	United Kingdom
knowledge	countries and capital cities	Explain the purpose of a capital city and form opinions on how this affects population size.	globe
	of the UK.		country
Geographical		Study maps and aerial photographs and use simple compass directions (North, South, East	capital
skills &	Use simple fieldwork and	and West) and locational and directional language to describe the location of features and	ocean
Fieldwork	observational skills to study	routes on a map.	sea
	the geography of the	Draw own maps of the local area; use and construct basic symbols in a key.	7 continents
	school's surrounding		compass points
	environment – fieldwork in	Observe and record the features around the school.	
	the local area/close	Communicate findings in different ways e.g. reports, graphs, sketches, diagrams, pictures.	local area
	proximity to the school e.g.	Study pictures/videos of two differing localities, one in the UK and one in a contrasting non-	environment
	road, parks, housing,	European country, and ask geographical questions e.g. What is it like to live in this place? How	map
	shops.	is this place different to where I live? How is the weather different? How are lifestyles	route
	Study the key human and	different?	compare
	physical features.	Draw pictures to show how places are different and write comparatively to show the	similarities
	Compare with a school &	difference.	differences
	surrounding environment	Express own views about a place, people and environment. Give detailed reasons to support	school
	in non-European country	own likes, dislikes and preferences.	house
	(Mexico)		shop
			building
			village
			town
			city
Human and	Identify the location of hot	Use both maps and globes , identify the coldest places in the world – the Polar regions.	physical features
Physical	and cold areas in the world	Make predictions about where the hottest places in the world are.	human features
Geography	in relation to the Equator	Children to identify the Equator and locate the places on the Equator which are the hottest.	Equator
	and the North and South		North Pole
	Poles.	Use basic geographical vocab to refer to key physical features.	South Pole
		Use basic geographical vocab to refer to key human features.	seasons
			weather
			climate
			ocean
			desert
			ice
			vegetation

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