Geography Curriculum Intent

Geography is the study of places and the relationships between people and their environments. When children join our school, we intend for them to embark upon a learning journey which will develop their geographical capital and to develop an understanding of our world through experience and investigation. We intend to inspire curiosity and fascination about the world and its people that will remain with them for the rest of their lives and equip pupils with knowledge about diverse places, people, resources and natural and human environments, together with an understanding of the Earth's key human and physical processes.

As pupils progress, their growing knowledge about the world should help them to deepen their understanding of the interaction between human and physical processes, and of the formation and use of landscapes and environments. Pupils should develop their understanding of how the Earth's features at different scales are shaped, interconnected and change over time.

The curriculum enables our learners to be confident to understand, ask questions and develop a responsible attitude towards the world around them. It is concerned with the lives of real people in a real world with real events, both past and present.

Aims for pupils

Through our teaching of geography we aim to:

- stimulate children's interest and curiosity about their surroundings
- facilitate children in developing a knowledge and understanding of the human and physical processes which shape places.
- enable children to gain knowledge and understanding of places in our changing world, gain a greater understanding of the ways of life and cultures of people in other places and help pupils to make sense of their own surroundings through learning about their own locality and the interaction between people and the environment.
- develop pupils' competence in specific disciplinary knowledge of: collecting, analysing and interpreting data through fieldwork; interpreting maps, diagrams, globes and aerial photographs, communicating geographical information in a variety of ways, evaluating and debating ideas and the impact of processes, phenomena and humans on the world
- provide opportunities for children to develop the vocabulary necessary to ask questions and develop research skills in order to evaluate opinions and propose solutions

learning begins in Reception and Year 1, where pupils learn the component location knowledge of their local area, the UK, such as the names of the countries, capital cities and key human features. In Year 5 and 6, this culminates in the development of rich geography scheme, encompassing, for example, a deep understanding of Trade and Resources, biomes and Europe.

At Beech Hill, pupils use a range of maps, atlases, globes and aerial images so that geography map and fieldwork skills are systematically developed. This geography progression map details the careful long-term curriculum sequencing of these essential skills. Essential geographical concepts such as the features of rivers, earthquakes and factors affecting settlement location are taught by focussing on specific locations and regions. This allows invaluable comparisons to be made between the UK and other areas of the world.

Geography Curriculum Implementation

Substantive Knowledge – sets out the subject-specific content that is to be learned -i.e. the geography National Curriculum. It is the 'know what' and 'know how' of geography. This can be divided into Declarative Knowledge ('know what') and Procedural Knowledge ('know how'). Declarative knowledge includes: locational knowledge, place knowledge and human and physical processes – i.e. they are the facts of geography that can be declared. Declarative knowledge enables pupils to 'know like a geographer'. The fourth substantive knowledge strand of the National Curriculum is 'Geographical Skills and Fieldwork', which can be termed Procedural Knowledge – this is about 'knowing how to do geography' (e.g. knowing how to draw a map; knowing how to conduct a survey; knowing how to measure rainfall).

Disciplinary Knowledge – considers how substantive knowledge originates, is debated and is revised – i.e. how we create, contest and evaluate substantive knowledge over time. Disciplinary knowledge tells us how we know what we know; it is through disciplinary knowledge that pupils learn the practices of geographers. It gives an insight into the ways geographers think – how they questions, collect, analyse, interpret, evaluate, communicate and debate, and in doing so, how the facts of geography are established and revised. In other words, the disciplinary knowledge is about understanding how to think about and find out about the world geographically. Disciplinary knowledge enables one to 'think like a geographer'.

Procedural knowledge and disciplinary knowledge overlap considerably in geography and thus these sections of the progression map reflect this. They overlap because essentially, it is through knowing *how* to conduct fieldwork and interpret a range of geographical information (procedural knowledge) that geographers learn the disciplinary knowledge of how substantive knowledge is created and contested over time.

Geography Curriculum Impact

Assessment and Feedback

All teachers use the progression document in Geography as a tool for teaching and assessment. The progression document ensures that teachers are able to understand what has been previously been taught, what they need to teach in their year group and what will be taught next. It is also a tool for identifying any gaps in pupils' learning and allows teachers to plan for this effectively. Teachers then assess children's progress by making informal judgements during lessons; this informs planning for subsequent learning experiences. Teachers will then use Target Tracker to give formal judgements about a child's progress in geography again the progression statements. Children demonstrate their ability in geography in a variety of different ways and teachers assess accordingly. Challenge questions are used to deepen learning and children are expected to respond to these. On completion of a piece of work, the teacher marks and assesses the work and uses this to inform future planning. Written or verbal feedback is given to the child to help guide their progress.

Once the children complete a whole unit of work, the teacher makes a summary judgement of work for each child in relation to the National curriculum objectives. The children will also complete a must know quiz based on the must know facts the children will have learned during the topic. The must know quizzes will also include knowledge facts from the children's previous topics to ensure children are constantly recapping and deepening their knowledge.

The Geography National Curriculum

		Nat	ional Curriculum P	rogrammes of Study a	and EYFS Framework			
2 Year Olds	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Development	Development	Development	Pupils should dev	elop knowledge	Pupils should extend	their knowled	ge and understar	nding beyond the
Matters	Matters	Matters	about the world,	the United Kingdom	local area to include	the United Kin	gdom, Europe, N	orth and South
Understanding	Understanding	•Draw	and their locality	. They should	America. This will inc	lude the locati	on and characte	istics of a range of
the World	the World	information from	understand basic	•	the world's most sigr			
• Explore	•Talk about	a simple map.	•	ons to human and	develop their use of			standing and skills
natural	what they see,	 Understand that 	physical geograp	hy and begin to use	to enhance their loca	itional and plac	ce knowledge.	
materials,	using a wide	some places are	geographical skill	s, including first-				
indoors and	vocabulary.	special to	hand observation	, to enhance their				
outside.	Know that	members of their	local awareness.					
 Explore and 	there are	community.						
respond to	different	 Recognise some 						
different	countries in the	similarities and						
natural	world and talk	differences						
phenomena in	about the	between life in						
their setting	differences	this country and						
and on trips.	they have	life in other						
	experienced or	countries.						
	seen in photos	Explore the						
		natural world						
		around them						
		 Describe what 						
		they see, hear						
		and feel whilst						
		outside.						
		 Recognise some 						
		environments						
		that are different						
		to the one in						
		which they live.						
		•Understand the						
		effect of changing						
		seasons on the						

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	plain some ilarities and		the Prime/Greenwich Meridian and times zones (including day and night)
		nowledge	Place Knowledge
	ween life in country and	Understand geographical similarities and differences	 Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the
life i cou drav knov	in other ntries, wing on wledge from	through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the United Kingdom, and of a small	United Kingdom, a region in a European country and a region within North or South America.
	ies, non- on texts	area in a contrasting non- European country.	

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	and (when	
	appropriate)	
	maps.	
	The Natural	
	World	
	Explore the	
	natural world	
	around them,	
	making	
	observations and	
	drawing	
	pictures of	
	animals and	
	plants.	
	•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 and	
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	changing states of		
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		Human and Physical Geography	Human and Physical Geography
		 Identify seasonal and daily 	Describe and understand key aspects of:
		weather patterns in the	- Physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes and
		United Kingdom and the	vegetation belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes and
		location of hot and cold	earthquakes and the water cycle
		areas of the world in	- Human geography, including: types of settlement and
		relation to the Equator and	land use, economic activity including trade links, and the
		the North and South Poles	distribution of natural resources including energy, food,
		Use basic geographical	minerals and water
		vocabulary to refer to	10.000
		- Key physical features	
		including: beach, cliff,	
		coast, forest, hill,	
		mountain, sea, ocean,	
		river, soil, valley,	
		vegetation, season and	
		weather	
		- Key human features,	
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		including: city, town,	
		village, factory, farm,	
		house, office, port,	
		harbor and shop	
		Geographical Skills and Fieldwork	Geographical Skills and Fieldwork
		Use world maps, atlases and	Use maps, atlases, globes, digital/computer mapping to locate
		globes to identify the	countries and describe features studied
		United Kingdom and its	 Use the eight points of a compass, four and six-figure grid
		countries, as well as the	references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance
		countries, continents and	Survey maps) to build their knowledge of the United Kingdom
		oceans studied at this key	and the wider world
		stage	Use fieldwork to observe, measure, record and present the
		 Use simple compass 	human and physical features in the local area using a range of
		directions (North, South,	methods, including sketch maps, plans and graphs, and digital
		East and West) and	technologies
		locational and directions	.0
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language (for example, near and far; left and right), to describe the location of features and routes on a	
map	

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Nursery	Once upon a time	Magnificent Me	Old McDonald had a farm	<u>Teddy Bears' Picnic</u>	Amazing Animals	Wiggle and Grow
Reception	If you go Down in the Woods Today	<u>It was a Dark Dark</u>	<u>Go Wild</u>	<u>Farmyard Hullabaloo</u>	Robot Rompus	Down at the Bottom of the Garden

		Beech Hill Geograph	hy Long Term Plan			
Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Paddington's Adventures	A Walk in the Park	Weather and Climate	Brazil	Water	Extreme Earth	
Autumn 1	Autumn 1	Autumn 1	Autumn 1	Spring 1	Spring 1	
The UK	The UK and its Capital	North America	Antarctica	Trade and Resources	Extreme Earth	
Spring 2	Cities Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 1	Summer 1	Spring 2	
Continents and Oceans	Brilliant Beaches	Population and Settlements	Yorkshire	London and Europe	Biomes	
Summer 2	Summer 2	Summer 1	Summer 2	Summer 2	Summer 2	

Declarative Knowledge – knowing 'what' – the facts of geography. Verbal or factual knowledge.

Locational knowledge, place knowledge and Physical and Human geography.

	Y	early Progression of N	NC Knowledge, Skills a	and Understanding –	Substantive Knowled	ge	
		Lo	cation Knowledge -	Declarative Knowled	ge)		
	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
The Local Area	Know the name of my school Know that I live in Halifax	Know the name of my school Know the town/city where I live Understand where my school is in my local area	Name, locate and describe key landmarks in the local area, using simple locational/directional language and the four main compass directions.	rear 5	Name, locate, describe and discuss key landmarks and geographical features of the local area, employing the use of the eight point compass, four figure grid	Name, locate and describe a local river and understand how it has changed over time, using the eight compass points, six figure grid references, maps symbols and keys	rear o
		Use simple locational and directional language (near, far, up, down, left, right, forwards, backwards)			references, maps, symbols and keys	,	
The UK	Know that I live in England	Name and locate the countries in the UK. Name and locate the capital cities of the four countries in the UK. Name and locate the 3 mains seas that surround the	Name and locate some of he key features of the UK, the capital cities and other major cities and surrounding seas.	Name and locate different types of UK settlements (hamlets, villages, towns, cities, conurbations) employing the use of the eight points of a compass, maps, symbols and keys.	Name and locate counties and cities of the UK, national parks and their topographical features (hills, mountains, coasts and rivers) using the eight points of a compass, four figure grid references, maps, symbols and keys		Name and locate different types of UK mountains employing the use of the eight points of a compass, maps, symbols and keys

The World	Understand the	Understand the	Name and locate	Name, locate and	Name, locate and	Name, locate and	Name and locate
	terms 'land' and	terms 'continents'	the country,	understand the	understand the	describe some of	major volcanoes
	'sea'	and 'oceans'	continent and	significance of the	significance of the	the world's major	of the world
			surrounding seas	Equator,	Equator,	rivers, employing	employing the use
		Name and locate	of a contrasting	Northern/Souther	Northern/Souther	the use of the	of the eight points
		the world's seven	non-European	n Hemisphere,	n hemisphere,	eight points of a	of a compass,
		continents on a	locality, and use	longitude and	Tropic of	compass, maps,	maps, symbols
		globe or atlas.	this to describe	latitude and	Cancer/Capricorn,	symbols and keys	and keys
			aspects of this	different climate	latitude,		
		Name and locate	locality including	zones	longitude,	Locate the	Locate key
		the world's five	the use of		Antarctic/Arctic	countries of	earthquake zones
		oceans on a globe	directional/locatio	Locate the	Circle and	Europe using	of the world,
		or atlas.	nal language, the	countries of North	different climate	maps, and their	including an
			four main	America its	zones	environmental	earthquake
		Understand the	compass	environmental		regions, key	location study
		terms 'poles' and	directions and the	regions and key	Locate countries	physical and	
		'equator'	terms 'poles' and	human and	of South America	human	Identify the
			'Equator'	physical	its environmental	characteristics	position and
		Recognise and		characteristics	regions and key	(rivers, mountains,	significance of
		know basic			human and	capitals,	latitude, longitude
		features of the			physical	landmarks) and	Equator, the
		different			characteristics	major cities	hemisphere, the
		continents.					Tropics of Cancer
							and Capricorn,
							Arctic and
							Antarctic Circle
							the Greenwich
							Meridian and time
							zones relating
							these to their
							climate, biomes,
							seasons and
							vegetation, using
							the eight points of
							a compass, maps,
							symbols and keys

	Y	early Progression o	f NC Knowledge, Skills	and Understanding –	Substantive Knowled	ge	
			Place Knowledge – (D	eclarative Knowledge	e)		
	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Comparisons	Make simple		Study,	Study,	Study,	Study, understand	
	comparisons		understand, write	understand, write	understand, write	and write about,	
	between their		about, express	about, draw and	about, draw and	draw and label	
	locality and other		opinions about,	label key human	label key human	key similarities	
	relevant places in		draw and label	and physical	and physical	and differences	
	the world		human and	similarities	characteristics	between the River	
			physical	between the UK	between the UK	Thames and the	
	Make simple		similarities and	and North	and South	River Nile, and	
	comparisons		differences of a	America including	America including	their	
	between familiar		small area of the	climate,	climate,	corresponding	
	environments		UK and a small	environmental	environmental	regions	
	(e.g. home,		area in a	regions, key	regions, key		
	school, farm)		contrasting non-	human and	physical and	Study,	
			European country,	physical	human	understand, write	
			including the	characteristics	characteristics (eg,	about, draw and	
			weather,		coasts, seas,	label key	
			lifestyles, human		rivers, capitals and	similarities and	
			and physical		other major cities,	differences of	
			geography.		landmarks and	human and	
					population)	physical	
						geography studied	
					Study,	between a region	
					understand, draw	of the United	
					and label key	Kingdom and	
					similarities and	another region of	
					differences of the	Europe, including	
					human and	climate, land use,	
					physical	settlements and	
					geography	key physical	
					between an urban	features (eg,	
					area in the UK	mountains, coasts	
					(our local town)	and rivers)	
					and a rural area in		

		the UK (Yorkshire	
		Dales National	
		Park)	

	Y			and Understanding –		lge	
	T			Declarative Knowledg		T., -	
	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Weather and	Name the four	Identify and	Identify and	Understand the	Understand and		Understand how
Climate	seasons and begin	describe weather	describe weather	different climate	compare the		climate and
	to describe the	associated with	associated with	zones of the world	climate of South		vegetation are
	associated	the four seasons.	the four seasons,	(tropical,	America with the		connected in
	weather		including	temperate and	UK		biomes (eg the
		Identify that the	understanding a	polar), including			tropical rainforest
	Record weather	North and South	basic weather	the significance of			and the desert)
	daily	poles are cold and	forecast.	the Tropics of			
		the Equator is hot.		Cancer and			Describe different
			Identify the	Capricorn, The			biomes and how
			location of hot	Equator and the			plants and animals
			and cold areas of	Polar Regions			are adapted to
			the world in				them
			relation to the	Identify the			
			Equator, North	different climate			Explain some ways
			and South poles	zones within the			biomes (including
			and make	world.			the oceans) are
			comparisons with				valuable, why they
			local weather.	Identify and study			are under threat
				the different			and how they can
				climatic regions of			be protected
				the UK and			
				Europe			
				'			
				Understand the			
1				basic process of			
1				global warming,			
1				its causes,			
1				implications and			
				changes required			
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1				Understand and			
				compare the			

				climate of North America with the UK		
Other Physical Features and Processes	Begin to use geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical features of the local area and the UK, such as:, wood, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, season, weather	Begin to use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical features of the local area and the UK including: beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, valley, vegetation, season and weather.	Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical features of the local area, the UK and a contrasting non-European locality, including: beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, valley, vegetation, season and weather.		Describe and explain river formation and key features of river systems Identify, describe and understand key physical features of the continent of Europe, including the UK (eg, coasts, rivers, mountainous regions, planes and semi-desert)	Describe and understand key aspects of volcano formation, the process of volcano: eruptions, the different types of volcanoes and their physical effects on the environment Describe and understand key aspects of mountain formation Describe and understand the causes, processes and effects of Earthquakes, the different types of Earthquakes and their physical effects on the environment, including a focus study on a particular earthquake

Yearly Progression of NC Knowledge, Skills and Understanding – Substantive Knowledge											
	Human Geography – (Declarative Knowledge)										
	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6				
Settlements and Land Use	Begin to use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key human features of the local area and the UK, including town, city, country, shows, road, street Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries.	Begin to use vocabulary to refer to key human features of the local area and the UK including: city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbor and shop. Compare a town and the countryside.	Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key human features of the local area, the UK and a contrasting non-European locality, inducing: city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour and shop.	Understand what life is like in cities and villages and other settlements of North America Describe, understand and distinguish between key types of settlement and land use (hamlet, village, town, city, conurbation, rural, urban and suburban) Understand the land use of the local area Describe and explain changing land use in North	Describe and explain changing land use in South America, including the Amazon Rainforest Understand what life is like in cities, villages and other settlements of South America	Describe and explain how some UK settlements have developed and changed over time, and why certain locations are more favourable than others Understand the effect of climate on land use and settlements in different areas of the world including different European countries Identify some European cities and settlements	Describe and understand the effects of volcanoes on settlements and land use				
Economics, Trade	Recognise the			America		Use physical and	Understand how				
and Resources	shops and enterprises in their local area including being aware of their branding/name					political maps, atlases, globes, Google Maps and Google Earth to locate and describe major	food production is influenced by climate and biomes				

			imports and exports including those of the UK	
			Understand highest value exports	
			Understand global supply chains	
			Understand Fairtrade	

	Yearly Progression of NC Knowledge, Skills and Understanding – Substantive Knowledge										
	Geography Skills – Fieldwork – (Procedural Knowledge)										
	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6				
Local/Regional	Begin to use	Begin to use	Use simple	Use the 8-points	Use the 8 points	Use the 8 points	Use aerial images				
Maps and Other	simple	simple	locational/directio	of a compass,	of a compass, 4	of a compass, 6	and age				
Secondary Data	locational/directio	locational/directio	nal language and	maps, symbols	figure grid	figure grid	appropriate				
Sources	nal language (e.g.	nal language	the four main	and keys to	references, maps	references, maps	graphs to acquire				
	near, far, up,	(near, far,	compass	describe local	with keys and	with keys	and discuss				
	down, forwards,	forwards,	directions to	geographical	Google Maps and	(including the use	geographical				
	backwards) to	backwards, up,	describe the	features/create a	Google Earth to	of Ordnance	information				
	describe the	down, right, left)	location of	route in the local	describe features	Survey Maps),					
	location of		features on a local	area/school;	of locations in	Google Earth and					
	features on a local	Use aerial images	map and	compare different	South America	Google Maps to					
	map and to move	to recognise	follow/create a	types of local map	and create a	describe					
	around the school	features of a	route in the local		tourist route.	geographical					
		familiar place	area.	Use aerial images		features of the UK					
	Draw information	(school or Halifax)		and age	Use aerial images	and European					
	from a simple map		Use aerial images	appropriate	and age	location and					
			to recognize basic	graphs to acquire	appropriate	create a tourist					
			physical and	and discuss	graphs to acquire	route.					
			human features	geographical	and discuss						
				information	geographical	Use aerial images					
			Construct simple		information	ad age					
			maps	Construct detailed		appropriate					
				plans	Create detailed	graphs to acquire					
					maps.	and discuss					
						geographical					
						information					
						Create detailed					
						maps and label					
						physical features					

UK Maps		Locate the four countries of the UK on a map or atlas. Locate the capital cities of the four countries of the UK on a map or atlas.	Construct a map of the UK and name and locate the four countries, their capital cities and some of the other major cities and the surrounding seas on a UK map or atlas, using the four main compass directions.	Use the eight points of a compass, four figure grid references, paper maps, Google maps, Google Earth, symbols and keys to locate different types of settlement	Use the 8 points of a compass and 4 figure grid references, maps, symbols and keys (including Ordnance Survey Maps) to identify and describe human and physical features of a region of the UK when comparing with regions of Antarctica	Use the eight points of a compass, six figure grid references, maps, Google Maps/Google Earth, symbols and keys (including Ordnance Survey maps) to locate/describe geographical features studied including the placement of UK settlements in relation to geographical features such as rivers, mountains, coastlines, exports	Use the eight points of a compass, six figure grid references, paper maps, Google maps and Google Earth, symbols and keys (including Ordnance Survey maps) to locate and describe human and geographical features studied including extinct UK volcanoes, mountains and mountain ranges.
World Maps	To identify land and sea on world globes/maps	Locate the continents and oceans on globes and world maps or atlases.	Construct a map of the world and name and locate the continents, countries and oceans on globes and world maps or atlases.	Use maps, atlases, globes, Google Maps and Google Earth to locate and describe European countries and their human/physical features, climate zones of Europe	Use maps, atlases, Google Maps and Google Earth to locate and describe human/physical features of South America including countries, land use, settlements, mountains, coasts,	coastlines, exports and imports Use physical and political maps, atlases, globes, Google Maps, and Google Earth to locate and describe studied human and physical features, including major rivers and their corresponding	Use physical and political maps, atlases, globes, Google maps and Google Earth to locate and describe major Earthquake zones, mountains, mountain ranges and volcanoes (in

		and the wider world. Use maps, atlases and globes, Google Earth and Google Maps to locate different settlements of the	rivers, climate and temperature	countries, cities, major industries, imports and exports	relation to tectonic plates)
Local Fieldwark		world		Use fieldwork to	
Local Fieldwork				Use fieldwork to study and present information about a local river	