

Holy Family RC Primary School

Geography Curriculum Overview

"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth." Genesis 1:1						
	Autumn 1 (7 weeks)	Autumn 2 (7.5 weeks)	Spring 1 (6 weeks)	Spring 2 (5 weeks)	Summer 1 (7 weeks)	Summer 2 (6 weeks)
EYFS	Seasonal changes (Autumn walk) Post a letter, local environment.		Seasonal changes (Spring walk) Differences with locality		Seasonal changes (Summer walk) Visits to park	
	Comparison with polar enviror	nment	Comparison with African vi	llages	Google Maps and creating maps.	
Y1	Where is my School? Map skills – follow basic maps of school and the grounds. Compass directions (NSEW) Identify Seasonal changes (FIELDWORK – My School)	What is the UK? Name, locate and identify countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom. Seasonal Changes	How do the polar regions and the area around the equator compare to the weather in the UK? North and South Poles and the equator. Seasonal Changes	Seasonal Changes	How has Limeside changed? FIELDWORK: Local Area. How has the local area changed within living memory, settlement, trade, importance of canals & rivers) School and the local environment - use of ariel photos Map skills— revisit NSEW Seasonal Changes	
Y2	What are the continents and oceans? The seven continents and Five oceans (History link to explorers AB/CC)	How has Oldham town centre changed? FIELDWORK: Oldham Town Centre	What is London like now? Recognise and name some significant features in London. UK countries and capitals		How does the UK compare with Nairobi? Climates comparison of hot and cold	How does Soutport compare to Oldham town centre? Coastal areas FIELDWORK — SOUTHPORT, map skills.

Y3	What is a region? What are rivers? Know the 8 point compass. Name and locate regions and cities of the U.K. Rivers and features FIELDWORK—The River Medlock	(Features of a town: use of google earth in location to Manchester.) History The commonalities of four ancient civilisations	Name the UK countries and the Capital cities, locating on a map. Name the UK's surrounding seas. History Stone Age to Iron Age	Should I settle here? Settlements use of land stone Age and Iron Age Resources economic activity and trade links; identify key changes, similarities and differences over time. Geographically focusing on the changes in landscape due to farming and permanent housing.	History How did the Roman Empire begin?	Use of keys – comparison to Oldham Revisit compass work How does the Bay of Naples compare to the North West of England? Physical geography: Earthquakes Volcanoes Study of Naples Bay Begin to understand how features (hills, mountains, coasts & rivers) have changed over time. Recognise and describe key mountains, volcanoes and plates around the world.
Y4	What is the Water Cycle? The Water Cycle Expand knowledge of the North West (visit to Liverpool, Maritime Museum, The River Mersey and the Docks)	How did the Romans end the Iron Age in Britain?	How did the Anglo Saxons and Scots change Britain?	What is a county? How do Greater Manchester and Cumbria compare? Locate and name counties in the UK The North West region; human and physical features Comparison of two counties. Greater	How does Scandinavia compare with the UK? Focus on land use, rivers, food and resources. Study of Scandinavia Name and locate geographical regions and their identifying human and physical characteristics.	How important are rivers? FIELDWORK: Dovestones reservoir: Introduce Biomes vocabulary Revisit the water cycle and rivers. use of resources – hydropower

				Manchester and Cumbria? Revisit contours to gain a better understanding of landscape in Cumbria, how does this impact on economic activity and tourism.	
Y5	What were the significant changes in Manchester during the Industrial Revolution?	How has the Manchester Ship Canal changed over time? Manchester FIELDWORK: Salford Quays Economic activity within the Human and Physical study of local area; and use, travel and trade changes over time. Resources, fossil fuel OS Maps and 6 figure grid references	How did the Ancient Greeks influence life today?	How have the geographical features and apartheid impacted urbanisation in South Africa? South Africa In depth Study of non-European Area	How do the UK, North and Central America compare? FIELDWORK: Tropical world, compare the biomes. Biomes, climate zones and climate changes including in North and central America; tropics, human and physical features.

Y6	How did the Mayan	What is South America	What were the effects of	European countries	Setting up an enquiry
	civilisation compare to	and how does trade	World War 2 for Britain	including Russia	and going through the
	Viking Britain?	impact on climate change?	and its Empire?		stages of the enquiry
		Focus on South America		In depth study of France	process (asking
		Grid references Biomes,		Confidently identify	questions, collecting
		climate zones and climate		significant places and	data, analysing data,
		change in Americas		environments	presenting findings)
		Tropics, human and		Begin to use six figure	FIELDWORK:
		physical features.		coordinates to locate	Geographical Enquiry
				features on a map	Ordnance survey maps,
		Energy and climate change			revision of symbols, 8-
		How people use energy,		Use primary and	point compass and 6-
		Types of energy; renewable		secondary sources of	figure grid references.
		and non-renewable energy		information for evidence	Interpreting a range of
		sources. Enhanced			maps and data, bringing
		greenhouse effect – causes			together skills from all
					topics in KS2 (atlases,
					thematic maps, digital
					technologies)