

Year 3 – The United Kingdom



Key facts:

- To identify, name and accurately locate the countries, capital cities and major regions of the United Kingdom using a range of maps and atlases.
- To recognise, describe and compare key human and physical features of places, using maps and other geographical sources to explain how these features shape the landscape.
- To explore patterns of land use and discuss how these have developed and changed over time, considering both natural and human influences.
- To understand the UK's position in the world by locating the Equator, Northern and Southern Hemispheres, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, the Arctic and Antarctic Circles, and explaining what these global lines represent.
- To explain the importance of London in relation to the Prime/Greenwich Meridian and to understand how time zones work, including how day and night occur across the world.
- To describe and develop understanding of key elements of physical geography, including climate zones, mountain environments and the stages of the water cycle.

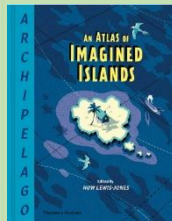
Throughout the Spring Term, we will continue to develop and deepen our understanding of Geography through Science, English and PSHE.

Key Concepts and Skills:

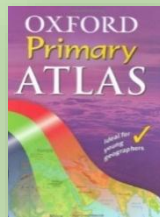
To broaden our understanding of the world by identifying significant places locally, nationally and globally and recognising how they relate to one another.

To confidently use the eight points of a compass, alongside four and six-figure grid references, map symbols and keys, to interpret and navigate a wide range of maps, including Ordnance Survey maps.

To use maps, atlases, globes and digital mapping tools to accurately locate and describe countries, regions, rivers and seas within the United Kingdom, developing confidence in using geographical sources.



Key Texts



Key Vocabulary:

The UK, England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, United Kingdom, Great Britain, island, sea, Edinburgh, Cardiff, London, Belfast, compass, eight compass points, North, North- East, North- West, South, South East, South West, West, East, atlas, maps, river, sea, North Sea, English Channel, Irish Sea, Atlantic Ocean, River Thames, River Severn, River Tay, River Bann.

