

### Riverside Geography Overview 2023/2024

Year Group	Term	Themes	Key Vocabulary
<b>Nursery</b>		<p>Discuss and offer different experiences – standing in rain with umbrellas, walking in tall grass, splashing in puddles etc</p> <p>Discussing holidays and places the children have been.</p> <p>Displays / books about different families around the world</p> <p>Use a diverse range of puppets / props / books to encourage children to discuss similarities / differences.</p>	Rain, hot, cold, wind, windy, sun, sunny, storm, snow
<b>Reception</b>  <i>Forest School every term – starting to look at environment and seasonal change</i>	1	Autumn Autumn walk, create autumn leaves for forest school tree collage	House, garden, park, road, town, place, country, weather, seasons, map, next to, behind, on top, in front, same and different, autumn, winter, spring, summer
	3	Winter Polar animals Compare polar regions to where we live, look at different animals in these habitats	
	4	Africa – location, food, differences between our school and an African school Spring in Forest School. Sign of spring	
	5	Aerial photographs of the school, make own maps/plans of routes to places Use Bee-Bots to follow a map and plan a journey	
	6	Summer in Forest School and clothing	
<b>Year 1</b>  <i>Forest School every term – looking at environment and seasonal change</i>	1	Place knowledge Locate countries on a map Recognise similarities and difference between UK and Gambia Features of local environment Discuss features of a hot and cold place Weather patterns of a hot and cold place Dress for a hot or cold place	beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, valley, soil, vegetation, city, town, village, farm, house, office, port, harbour, shop . hot, cold, cloudy, degrees, sunny, windy, foggy, stormy
	4	Locational knowledge Create maps of journey to school, using a simple key Name capital cities of the UK Name seas surrounding the UK Use aerial images to recognise landmarks and basic physical features	
	5	Geographical skills and fieldwork Research local castles and their locality Use Digimaps to explore Rochester on an ordnance survey map	

	6	Human and Physical Geography Seasons and weather patterns in the UK Create weather charts Keep a weather diary Interpret simple weather charts	
<b>Year 2</b>	2	Review 4 countries of the UK and capital cities Explore how Rainham has changed through history on Digimaps, aerial photos and Google maps Explain how human and physical features of Rainham have changed Facilities needed in towns and villages	sea, land, mountains, lakes, rivers, beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, ocean, valley, soil, vegetation, city, town, village, farm, house, office, port, harbour, shop, near, far, left, right, North, South, East, West
	3	Great Fire of London topic - Use Digimaps to explore London now and in 1666 Explore maps of 1666 London to see where the fire spread, creating a key for each day	
	4	Explorers topic Name and locate 7 continents and 5 oceans Use class map to review journeys of explorers	
	5	Australia topic. Compare Australia to the UK –human and physical geography, weather patterns, seasons Explore features of an island Compare aerial images to human and physical geography Weather in hot and cold parts of the world	
	6	Fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of school Use compass directions to explore the school grounds Create a map of school grounds and local area and create a key	
<b>Year 3</b>	1	Bonjour topic Locate and name continents on a world map Locate countries in Europe and name environmental regions, key physical and human characteristics and major cities Mediterranean as a popular holiday destination Explore different types of settlement and land use in France Use ordnance survey maps on Digimaps	Ocean, island, hills, mountains, cities, rivers, settlement, Richter scale, aftershock, epicentre, foreshock, main shock, magnitude, microquake, magma, crater, mantle, lava, active, dormant, Km, North, South, East, West, North-East, South-East, South-West, North-West, town, city, hill, river.
	4	Power of the Earth topic Volcanoes, earthquakes and tsunamis Describe how they are formed and affect people's lives	
	6	Local Area Study How has Medway changed since the Battle of Medway	

		Geography fieldwork and maps of Rainham Counties and cities of the UK	
<b>Year 4</b>	1	Climate Change Topic Look at climate change Types of settlement and land use Economic activity including trade links Distribution of natural resources including energy	hills, mountains, coasts and rivers), city, village, evaporation, precipitation, ground, water, runoff, rivers, streams, source, bay, floodplain, waterfall, basin, upstream, erosion, meander, oxbow lakes, downstream, mouth, valley, base, mountain range, summit, ridge, face, slope, Tropic of cancer, Tropic of Capricorn, forest floor, understory, emergent layer, canopy, deforestation
	3	Understand land use and distribution of natural resources including food Describe where different foods are grown and why they are best suited to these environments Fair trade Use maps, atlases and globes to locate countries and describe features studied	
	4	Rivers, mountains and the water cycle Name and locate world's major rivers and mountain ranges on a map Key features of rivers, including formation How a locality has changed due to human and physical features	
	5	Egypt - Human and physical features affecting human activity within the Egyptian topic Use maps, atlases and globes to locate countries and describe features studied	
	6	Rainforest topic Biomes and vegetation belts Rainforest layers, Kapok tree and human impact on the rainforest Tropic of Cancer and Tropic of Capricorn Human impact on the environment Use maps, atlases and globes to locate countries and describe features studied	
<b>Year 5</b>	2	Ancient Greeks topic How has land use changed over time Locate countries and cities in Europe	Latitude, Longitude, Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, Arctic Circle, Antarctic Circle, Greenwich Meridian, North, South, East, West, North-East, South-East, South-West, North-West, town, city, hill, river, agriculture, trade, climate zone, biomes, vegetation belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes, earthquakes, settlement, sea, land, mountains, lakes, rivers, beach, cliff,
	4	Key geographical and fieldwork skills Map land use Fieldwork to observe measure and record human geographical features in the local area Use 6 figure grid reference Collect information about a place in the UK and use in a report	
	5	The Animal Kingdom topic Locate countries and describe features linked to native animals	

		Use compass, grid reference, symbols and keys	coast, forest, hill, mountain, ocean, valley, soil, vegetation, city, town, village, farm, house, office, port, harbour, shop.
	6	London topic Greenwich Meridian and Time Zones Economic activity including trade links to London Tubes Human and physical geography of London	
<b>Year 6</b>	1	Physical features and comparisons between Arctic and UK Change over time Position and significance of key areas (latitude and longitude, equator, hemispheres etc) Global warming Use maps, atlases and globes to locate countries and describe features studied	Longitude, latitude, equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, Arctic Circle, Antarctic Circle, Greenwich Meridian, food, minerals, distribution, city, river, economic activity, trade links, North, South, East, West, North-East, South-East, South-West, North-West, town, city, hill, river.
	2	Distribution of natural resources Population data Human activity causes changes Describe locality with maps, aerial photos etc	
	3	Ancient Mayans Links to Mayans Locate Mexico Locate countries and describe features in South America Compare UK and South America North and South America Cities and rivers	
	5	WW2 topic How did WW2 alter economic activity and trade links Changes to London Compare London maps pre WW2 and now	
	6	Sustainability and fair trade Import and exports Production and pricing of food	