



Rationale for sequencing the Geography curriculum:

- Complexity of the concepts involved - e.g. comparison of localities in Y1, Land use/economic activity in Y5, Climate change Y6 - taught later in the year as they are conceptually more challenging and is therefore best taught later in the year.
- Seasonality of fieldwork e.g. coastlines in Y2, Rivers in Y4 – this fieldwork is best conducted when the weather is typically warmer in spring/summer months.
- Progression in locational/place knowledge from local to global e.g., Y1 local area, progressing to UK and then wider world. Y5 European countries taught before non-European.

	Autumn		Spring		Summer	
F1	Festivals: Begin to look at different cultures through stories, photos and discussions.		Spring into Spring: Begin to look at features of the school grounds identifying things that grow		Dinosaurs: basic introduction to maps	
F2	Amazing me: Begin to look at features of the school grounds identifying things that have been built or made		Toys and teddies: Look at toys from around the world. Locate countries on the globe		Animals: Look at wildlife in a non-European country and discuss similarities and differences between our wildlife and theirs.	
Y1		Local Geography Study Fieldwork study of school grounds/directional language		The UK 4 countries and capital cities 4 bodies of water Compass		World Maps 7 Continents 5 Oceans compare to a school in a contrasting non-European country
Y2		The World and the UK Equator, north & south poles and temperatures UK weather patterns (seasonal & daily)		Mapping Skills Aerial photographs Map symbols Ordinal compass points		Coastlines Fieldwork study Physical & human geography
Y3		Rocks, Relics & Rumbles Volcanos, landslides Earthquakes 3 types of rock Layers of the earth		Mapping Skills 8 points of compass 4 grid reference Symbols & keys Ordnance survey maps		Chester – Local Study Observe, measure record and present features of the local area. Fieldwork study
Y4		Mountains How mountains are formed Types of mountains Mountains in the UK and across the World Ordnance Survey Maps		Rivers (Including Dee & Mersey) Stages of the river Processes of a river Local Rivers, Key rivers of the UK and the World Water cycle. Fieldwork study of local river		UK Study Counties and cities of the UK Human & Physical characteristics of regions in the UK Six figure grid references
Y5		European Countries Locate and study European Countries, including Russia Environmental regions Major Cities		Non-European Countries Locate and study North and South America, Russia; Environmental regions Major Cities		Sow, Grow and Farm Climate zones. Biomes, vegetation belts Land use, economic activity Natural resources Fieldwork study linked to local farm
Y6		Frozen Kingdoms Polar climates, landscapes, Antarctic, Arctic regions Indigenous people		World Maps 6 grid reference Longitude, latitude Tropics Cancer, Capricorn Time zones		Climate Change/local study Natural resources Environmental regions Fieldwork study linked to local area



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