

Geography Overview

School global Themes	1. Healthy Minds and a Sense of Wellbeing 3. Cultural Capital and High Aspirations		2. Healthy Bodies and a Sense of Adventure 4. Respect, Equality and Diversity	
Our Motto	Together we are winners!			
British Values	Rule of Law, Respect and Tolerance, Democracy and Individual Liberty			
Secrets of Success	Respect Independence	Kindness Perseverance	Teamwork Understanding others	
EYFS				
Reception	During their time in Reception, children build on their knowledge and understanding of the world and their place in it. (Please see separate document)			
Key Stage 1				
Year 1	Our Wonderful World In this project children are introduced to the countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom. The children carry out simple fieldwork to find out about local physical and human features. As they investigate the school grounds, they use and draw simple maps.	Bright Lights, Big City In this project children learn about Newcastle and compare it to our town (Birtley). They explore landmarks and use simple directional and positional language.	Weather In this project children will explore seasonal and daily weather patterns and recall the names of months and seasons.	
Year 2	Let’s Explore the World In this project children learn about the seven continents and five oceans. They will locate and explore hot and cold places.	Coastline In this project children learn about the physical and human features of a local coastal region.	Place Study: Kerela, India In this project children will compare our coastal region to Kerela. Children will focus on using geographical vocabulary accurately.	
Lower Key Stage 2				
Year 3	Place Study: North - East In this project children will learn about our local region. They will focus on physical and human features and explore how land use has changed. They will also explore how land is used in Birtley.	Mountains In this project children will learn about the formation of mountains and significant mountains around the world.	Rocks, Relics, and Rumbles In this project children learn about the features and characteristics of the Earth's layers, including a detailed exploration of volcanic, tectonic, and seismic activity.	

Year 4	Interconnected World In this project the children learn about the tropics and the countries, climates, and culture of North and South America.	Winding Rivers In this project children learn about the journey of a river and its features. They will name and locate significant rivers in the UK and the world.	Place Study: Italy In this project children compare the North-East to a region in Italy.
Upper Key Stage 2			
Year 5	Settlements Investigating Our World This project teaches children to locate the cities and geographical features in the UK. They describe and explain the location, purpose and use of transport networks across the UK and focus on different types of settlements.	Sow, Grow Farm This project teaches children about the features and characteristics of land use in agricultural regions across the world, including a detailed exploration of significant environmental areas.	Place Study: South American region In this project children learn about the rainforest.
Year 6	Our Changing World This project revises the features of Earth, time zones and lines of latitude and longitude to pinpoint places on a map. Children find out more about map scales, grid references, contour lines and map symbols. They learn about climate change and the importance of global trade. Children analyse data and carry out fieldwork to find out about local road safety. They study patterns of human settlements and carry out an enquiry to describe local settlement patterns.	Frozen Kingdoms This project teaches children about the characteristics and features of polar regions, including the North and South Poles, and includes a detailed exploration of the environmental factors that shape and influence them.	UK (fieldwork) residential