

WELCOME TO:

Geography



At Monkwick Infants and Nursery school we know that in order for our children to become geographers, we have carefully selected themes that interest our children and topics that they have some prior knowledge of. We have planned a curriculum that allows for inspiring and successful learning opportunities for all. A curriculum that deepens children's knowledge so that they have the key skills to become the best geographers.

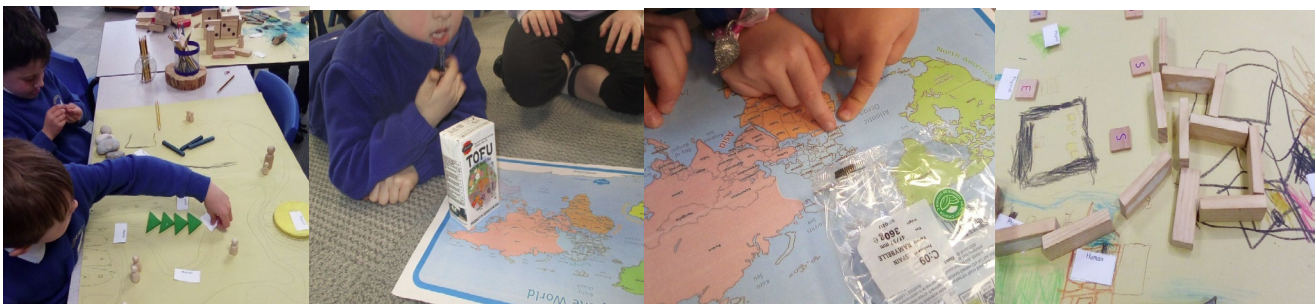
Our children will become geographers by:

Investigating places

Investigating patterns

Through our high-quality lessons, we can also build children's resilience and help to embed our school ethos of 'we respect, we achieve and we learn.'

The national curriculum for Key stage 1 Geography states that children should develop knowledge about the world, the United Kingdom and their locality. They should understand basic subject-specific vocabulary relating to human and physical geography and begin to use geographical skills, including first-hand observation, to enhance their locational awareness.



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Which skills will your children be covering?

	Investigate places	Investigate patterns	Communicate geographically
N 2 years	Talk about the places that are familiar to them	To talk about patterns and change they see, Explore their own environment	use words such as house, farm, school, shop park
3/4 years	Know that there are different countries in the world, talk about differences they have experienced or seen in photos	walks around the school building and local area. Talk and explore similarities and differences.	Begin to talk about simple features of their locality such as house and school or holidays visited.
R	Compare how one environment differs from another, Draw information from a simple map	Look closely and talk about changes they see. To go on environmental walks and look at features of the local area.	Talk about differences and similarities in relation to places around them. Notice buildings, open spaces, roads and simple features on a local walk. Name your own road, town and look at aerial views.
Yr 1	Name the world's continents and oceans Name and locate the four countries of the UK and the surrounding seas.	Identify land use around the school Awareness of seasonal and daily weather changes.	Describe similarities between countries. Devise a simple map using some mapping terms.
Yr 2	Use fieldwork skills to study the geography of the school. Including the human and physical features, Use aerial images to recognise landmarks and physical features. Name locate and identify characteristics of the four countries of the UK and name their capital cities and the surrounding seas	Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying human and physical features of an area of the UK and comparing this to a contrasting non-European country. Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the UK.	Devise a simple map and construct basic symbols in a key, use simple grid references

How can you help your child?

Provide your child with a map, atlas or globe and encourage them to use this to find out more about places and environments. Which countries are hot or cold?

Read stories that include different geographical locations and ideas. Ideas include The Jungle Book (tropical rainforest) and Aladdin (desert).

Find the geography in your home. Where in the world did your furniture, ornaments or kitchenware come from?

Is there geography in your family tree?

Where did the vegetables you're eating come from?

Develop a geographical scrapbook. Take a walk in your local area and collect anything that represents or reflects the locality – people, plants, buildings, landmarks and so forth.

Create a map.

Use postcards, posters and pictures to discuss other places.

Useful Links:

<https://www.educationquizzes.com/ks1/geography/>

Test your knowledge or your favourite geographical theme by taking a quiz!

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/go-jettters>

We all love playing games – by using and watching Go Jettters, children will have fun encountering the different places, landmarks and people, and they'll be developing new geographical vocabulary and knowledge without even realising it.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zcdqxn>

Watch videos about the continents of the world, play games and travel with Barnaby Bear. Through Barnaby's videos, he will take you over the world to teach you everything there is geography!

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/>

An engaging website with many articles, games and ideas for the children to do.

What our children say about geography at Monkwick Infant School!



" We learnt about the Town and the Country"

"We made maps out of lots of different things and labelled them"

'We listen to songs to help us learn about the seven continents"

"I liked finding my house on the computer"