

Geography Medium Term Plan

NC POS use simple compass directions (N,S, E,W) and locational and directional language to describe the location of features and routes on a map
use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of their school and its grounds and the key human and physical features of its surrounding environment

Core knowledge:

- directions – left, right, near, far, forwards, backwards, reverse, turn
- understand what an aerial view means and that maps are drawn from that orientation. This is different from our view of the world. It's a 'bird's eye view'.
- be able to create maps using aerial photographs and observational drawings
- use the idea of scale to represent areas of the school grounds
- shape of objects- on a map can be represented in their simplest form
- revisit reading a map of classroom and how to identify the features, leading to application of skills on a school map
- reading a key on a map of an unfamiliar place eg the local area
- orientate a map into the correct position for the way you are reading it

- compass is used for finding direction
- know the names of the four points – North, South, East, West
- be able to use a compass to find a given direction

- plot a route using an aerial map and compass using the local area
- describe the route taken using directional language

Wider influence:

- maps
- OS maps
- atlases
- online maps
- google maps

Working geographically:

- use compass directions and locational language to describe where a feature or a route on a map is to be found
- recognise landmarks, physical and human features on a map
- devise a map and key of the local area
- use observational skills to study the physical and human features of the surrounding environment
- communicate geographical information through maps, numerical and quantitative skills