



St Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School

Geography Key Concepts

Concept	Meaning
Sense of Space	Having a sense of space reflects how places fit together in the jigsaw of the world. The children will learn to consider how the environmental and human characteristics of the world are influenced by their location.
Sense of Place	Having a sense of place is understanding where we fit in the world. It is also having the locational knowledge to describe where things are located on the Earth. The children will learn how we create a sense of place through environmental location, patterns and communications.
Sense of Scale	A sense of scale is about the way that geographical wonders and creations can be investigated at different levels. The children will learn about the world and where they live on a global, local and personal scale.
Sustainability	Sustainability is the ability to maintain or support the natural processes of the earth over time. Sustainability is about recognising the interconnecting relationship between humans and the world and what we can do to help it to flourish naturally as intended. Sustainability promotes curiosity and a sense of responsibility for the world, its people and animals.
Our environment	The environment helps life on earth to flourish by providing materials for food, water, creating a safe habitat for love to grow and being a source of inspiration and wonder. The children will learn how human and physical features of the world shape our environment directly and indirectly. The children will learn about different environments across the world and will investigate comparisons and differences between them.
Interconnections	Interconnectivity is recognising that nothing in our complex, diverse and interchanging world exists in isolation. The children will begin to learn that people and geographical phenomena are connected to each other through environmental processes and human activity.
Geographical enquiry	Geographical enquiry is where children take ownership of their learning by using data and information to make sense of the world and environment around them. We challenge the children to develop their enquiry skills while learning to create a sense of awe and wonder of the world. Enquiry encourages the children to make observations, ask questions and challenge ideas to make a positive change in the world.
Mapping skills	Mapping skills help us to grown spiritually, socially, and culturally. Identifying human and physical features on a map give us a sense of belonging while helping us create a fascination with the world and ignite the explorer inside us. Mapping skills help the children to recognise and start to build up their understanding of the world and its formation. The children will be taught to use a variety of maps such as globes, atlas, ariel maps and world maps to identify sections of the world at different scales.

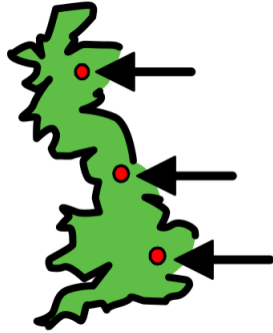


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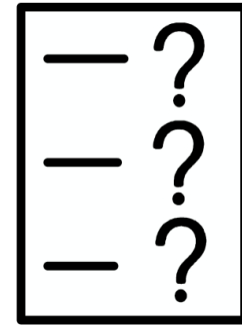
Sense of Place



Sense of Scale



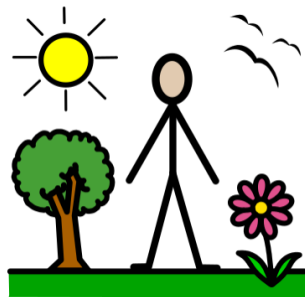
Sustainability



Enquiry skills



Interconnections



Our Environment



Mapping Skills