High Ercall Primary School



Fieldwork and enquiry activities to support geography curriculumSubject Leader: Gemma LinghamDate: October 2023

Year A (2023 – 2024)	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Class 1	Our school Use aerial photographs and maps to study the school. Children use fieldwork to walk their route to school and plot this on a map. Use the 4 compass points to navigate around school.	Four Seasons Use photographs to identify features of the different seasons. Fieldwork in the local area to identify features of spring and take their own photographs.	Let's go on Safari Use maps, atlases and globes to explore the world and identify the seven continents and five oceans of the world. Compare Kenya to the UK and how their life differs to a Kenyan child.
Class 2	Where do I live? Fieldwork in the local area and investigate street names – where did they come from. They will then use this to investigate their own addresses. Use compass directions to navigate around school.	Let's go to London – compare with High Ercall Children plan an imaginary trip to London considering how they will get there, what they will wear and what sights they will see. Collect information to create a booklet – train timetables, photographs of children dressed for the different seasons and the different sights, create an itinerary.	Let's go to the Jungle Use maps, atlases and globes to explore the world and identify the seven continents and five oceans of the world. Fieldwork in the local area to take photographs to compare with photographs of the jungle.
Class 3	Village Settlers Design a village with the use of symbols and a key to show the different human and physical features of their settlement. Fieldwork in the local area exploring symbols on ordnance survey maps. Use of compass skills. Shropshire Hill Discovery centre: Orienteering in the local area.	Italy Children create mini books to share their knowledge and understanding of Italy. Present their findings to the rest of the class.	Volcanoes Fieldwork in the local area to take photos to compare to photos of a volcanic area. Children collect, analyse and then present their findings.
Class 4	The UK Use atlases, maps and globes to locate counties and cities in the UK. Then use aerial photographs to locate human and physical features. Plot routes using digital mapping and compass skills. Use fieldwork to take photographs in the local area	Scandinavia Children will consolidate their learning about Scandinavia by planning a holiday for tourists visiting a particular Scandinavian location. Children will need to provide information about location, climate, landscape, possible activities and other aspects of human geography.	Brazil Children will plan a school trip to Brazil considering how they will get there, what they will wear and what sights they will see. Collect information to create a booklet – travel information, photographs of children dressed for the climate and the different sights, create an itinerary.

	to identify human and physical		
	features.		
Class 5	Marvellous Maps	Eastern Europe	USA
	Use ordnance survey maps to identify symbols and keys. Children plan a route using compass directions and grid references.	Research an area of Eastern Europe independently, generate a questions, use a variety of sources of information to carry out research and then present	Use fieldwork to record, measure and observe human and physical geography of the local area and compare to an area in North America.
		their finding.	

Year B (2022 – 2023)	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Class 1	At the Farm	Our country	Sea and coasts
	Visit a farm in the local area	Use aerial photographs and	Use fieldwork skills to create a
	and explore features of the	maps to locate the four	tourist information booklet for
	farm.	counties and capital cities of	an area – visit to a beach and
	Use compass skills to navigate	the UK.	take photographs to use in
	around a farm.		their booklet.
Class 2	Map Makers	Weather Patterns	What a wonderful World!
	Explore compass points and	Use of pictograms and	Use maps, atlases and globes
	then create their own map of	weather data to explore	to explore the world and
	the local area using a key and	weather in different regions of	identify the seven continents
	symbols – walk out in the local	the UK. Perform a weather	and five oceans of the world.
	area.	forecast with the correct use	
		of weather symbols.	
		Compare weather in a hot and	
		cold country.	
Class 3	Land Use	European neighbours	Plants of the World
	Fieldwork in the local area to	Use maps, atlases and globes	Fieldwork to supermarket to
	create a sketch map.	to identify continents and then	investigate where all the
	Visit to a farm to explain how	focus on Europe. Children	different crops come from.
	land is used for different types	produce keys and annotate	Children investigate plants
	of farming.	maps to show their	found in diverse parts of the
		understanding.	world, they will research this
			and present their findings.
Class 4	The Water Cycle – Rivers	Energy and the environment	Exploring Africa
	Children will find out how to	Children use digital mapping to	Research an African country
	generate a main question as	calculate food miles. Present	independently, generate a
	the focus for a geographical	findings to class.	questions, use a variety of
	enquiry. They will use a variety	Conduct a sustainability survey	sources of information to carry
	of sources of information	through Shropshire discovery	out research and then present
	to carry out research. They will	centre: action for	their finding.
	think about the best way of	sustainability.	
	presenting the information		
	they have found out.		

	Investigating rivers – undertake river measurements: Shropshire Hills Discovery centre.		
Class 5	Investigating Coasts Tie in with John Muir award at Arthog – investigate litter/plastic pollution	Trade and economics Investigate who the UK trades with and why – use of maps and atlases. Produce maps and graphs to show findings.	China Use aerial photographs, maps and atlases to locate the country and major cities in China. They will explore the human impact on China's physical geography.