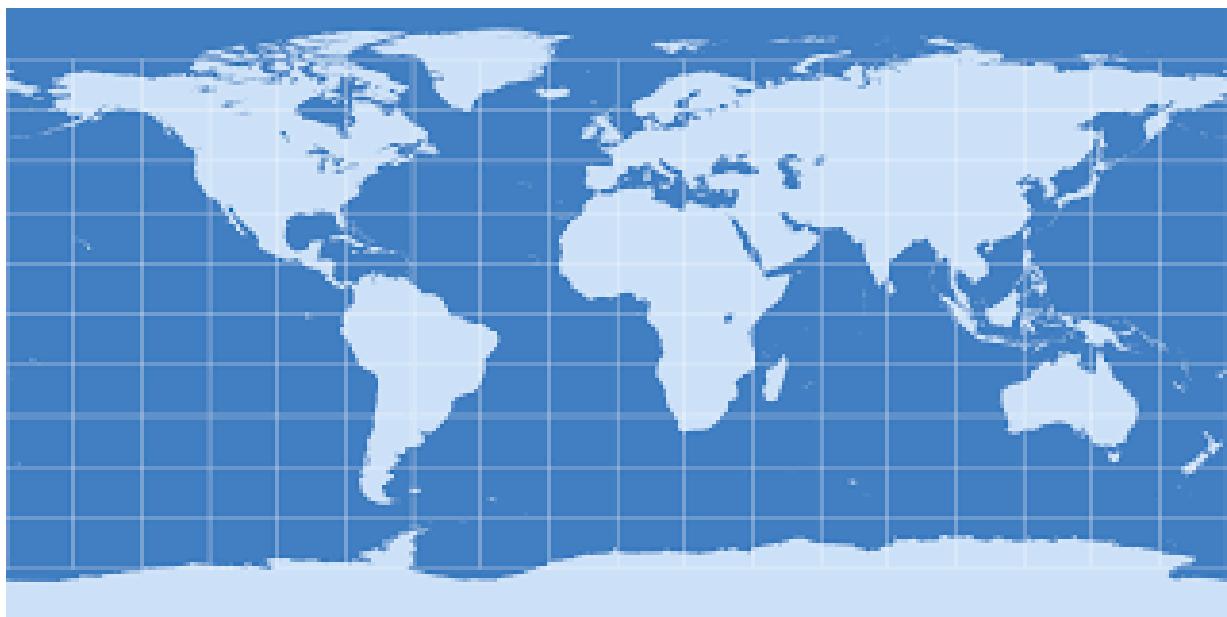


# Longridge CE Primary School.



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## GEOGRAPHY

### What are the aims of this subject ?

Through Geography we aim to inspire in pupils a curiosity and fascination about the world, and equip them with knowledge about diverse places, people, resources and natural and human environments. The children will develop an understanding of both the human and physical environment around them, as well as the increasing pressures placed upon it. This understanding and interest is brought about through teacher-led activities and the children's own enquiry, including the use of maps, photos, pictures and practical fieldwork, videos and computer software.

### Aims of Geography in Key Stage 1

- To develop knowledge about the world, the United Kingdom and their locality.
- To name the 7 Continents and 5 oceans.
- To name the 4 countries and capital cities of the UK.
- To explore weather patterns in the UK and investigate hot and cold areas in the world.
- To be able to use world atlases and globes to identify countries etc, and begin to use simple compass points for direction.
- To explore the use of aerial photographs and will begin to create simple maps with a key.

### Aims of Geography in Key Stage 2.

- To extend knowledge beyond the local area to include the UK, Europe, North and South America.
- To identify the position and significance of latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern and Southern Hemisphere, Tropics and the Arctic and Antarctic circle.
- To explore counties and cities of the UK.
- Identify human and physical characteristics and understand how some have changed over time.
- To use maps, atlases, globes and digital computer mapping, and explore 4 and 6 figure grid referencing.

### How much time is allocated to it ?

We look for a balance of time over the school year in Geography which averages 1 hour weekly. Sometimes the geographical content and skills may be concentrated within a half term or a shorter period of time.

### How is the curriculum planned and revised ?

All year groups will be following the 'Planbee' scheme of work. This scheme covers all of the required objectives for both Key stages, and ensures that the New Curriculum is delivered in an exciting and stimulating way. Each topic contains powerpoints, information, medium term planning and worksheets differentiated to 3 levels.

### What forms of assessment are used ?

Assessment takes the form of teacher assessment through discussion and questioning, observation and the hard evidence of the pupils' written work throughout F, KS1 and KS2. At the end of the school year teachers will report to parents as to whether their child is working in line, below or above expectations. Teacher will also use the new assessment sheets which should be completed at the end of every unit.

### Which resources are available ?

A variety of resources are available, with an emphasis on primary/secondary sources, including maps, atlases, globes, photos, videos, ICT software, Internet sites, pictures and books. The 'Planbee' scheme is available on the 'staff shared' folder, and teachers have paper copies.. Resources are stored either in classrooms or in the Geography cupboard in topic boxes. Posters are stored in a drawer next to the Geography cupboard. Maps are in a map storage box. The school grounds and local environment are also important resources

### What provision is made for Special Needs ?

Individual class teachers are responsible for the special needs provision in Geography, providing activities which are relevant to the child.