Inglewood Nursery and Infant School - Vertical progression – Understanding the World – The world - Geography overview

ELG – Know some similarities & differences between the natural world around them & contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences & what has been read in class Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons

Focus	Location knowledge	Place Knowledge	Human and Physical Geography	Geographical Skills and Fieldwork
Nursery-Little Fawns	Starts to show recognition of where things belong (beginning with familiar objects in a familiar setting).	Enjoys stories that include nature (birds, bees, snails etc).	Shows curiosity and interest when experiencing nature (mud, puddles etc). Starts to talk about some of the things they see in the outdoors.	Plays with small world based on own experiences (farm yard, shop).
Nursery-Little Owls	Comment and ask questions about aspects of their familiar world such as the place where they live or the natural world Know that there are different countries in the world & talk about the differences they have experienced or seen in photos	Talk about some of the things they have observed in different places Comments & asks questions about aspects of their familiar world such as the place where they live or the natural world Make imaginative & complex 'small worlds' with blocks & construction kits, such as a city with different buildings & a park	Help children to notice and discuss patterns around them, e.g. rubbings from grates, covers, or bricks. Identify seasonal patterns – focusing on plants and animals. Begin to understand the effect their behaviour can have on the environment	Observe and identify features in the place they live and the natural world. Find out about their environment and talk about features they like and dislike. Use diverse range of props, photos, books to notice & talk about similarities & differences
Reception	Observe, find out about and identify features in the place they live and in the natural world. Autumn and Summer Find out about their environment and talk about those features they like/dislike. Autumn Use appropriate words, e.g. 'town', 'village', 'road', 'path', 'house', 'flat', 'temple' and 'synagogue', to help children make distinctions in their observations. Autumn Encourage children to express opinions on natural and built environments and give opportunities for them to hear different points of view on the quality of the environment. Summer Recognise some environments that are different to the one in which they live Autumn	Observe and identify features in the place they live and the natural world. Talk about features. Help children to find out about the environment by talking to people, examining photographs and simple maps and visiting local places. Autumn and Summer Encourage the use of words that help children to express opinions, e.g. 'busy', 'quiet' and 'pollution' Spring Recognise some similarities & differences between life in this country & life in other countries Spring	Explore their local environment and talk about the changes they see. Termly linked to Science Talk about the similarities and differences between them and their friends and well as looking at photos of children and places around the world. Termly Explain that human activity can influence and impact on the world, meaning that things happen as a result of our actions Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them Termly	Examine change over time. Pose carefully framed open-ended questions, such as "How can we?" or "What would happen if?" Termly Describe some actions which people in their own community do that help to maintain the area they live in. Draw information from a simple map Spring and Summer Interpret range of sources of geographical information, including maps, globes, photographs Summer
Year One	Name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom and its surrounding seas.	Understand geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the United Kingdom, and of a small area in a contrasting non-European.	Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the United Kingdom. Identify the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to: -key physical features, including:, forest, hill, mountain, soil, valley, vegetation,key human features, including: city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office.	Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries. 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.

Year Two	Name and locate the world's seven continents	Understand geographical similarities and	Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to:	aerial photographs and plan perspectives to
	and five oceans.	differences through studying the human and physical geography of a small area of the United Kingdom, and of a small area in a contrasting non-European country.	- key physical features, including: beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, valley, vegetation, season and weather - key human features, including: city, town, village, factory, farm, house, office, port, harbour and shop	recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features; devise a simple map; and use and construct basic symbols in a key. Use simple compass directions (North, South, East and West) and locational and directional language [for example, near and far; left and right], to describe the location of features and routes on a map.