

Geography Curriculum Overview

At Alec Reed Primary, we believe that Geography helps to provoke and answer questions about the natural and human worlds, encouraging children to develop a greater understanding of their world and their place in it. As the future generation responsible for our planet, we want our children to have a sense of respect for the world.

Geography helps to develop a range of investigation and problem-solving skills that are transferable to other curriculum areas and which can be used to promote children's spiritual, moral, social and cultural development. We aim to give our learners strong geographical knowledge, good enquiry and questioning skills, the ability to use a range of maps, the ability to collect and analyse data and the ability to communicate information in a variety of ways.

We seek to inspire in children a curiosity and fascination about the world and its people which will remain with them for the rest of their lives; to recognise the impact they as humans have on the planet, to promote children's interest and understanding about diverse places, people, resources and natural and human environments, together with a deep understanding of the Earth's key physical and human processes.

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
1	Free Flow Understanding the world	Human &Physical Geography Seasons What are the differences between the four seasons?	Human &Physical Geography Weather Patterns What are the weather patterns?	Locational Knowledge Contrasting locations Let's go on a Safari Would you prefer to live in the hottest or coldest climate on earth?	Place Knowledge Mapping Where would you prefer to live, inland or by the seaside? Where do I live?	Place Knowledge Mapping Where would you prefer to live, inland or by the seaside? Where do I live?
2	Locational Knowledge Why and how do we use maps?	Locational Knowledge Why and how do we use maps?	Place Knowledge locational knowledge In your opinion, which country is the best in the UK?	Place Knowledge locational knowledge In your opinion, which country is the best in the UK?	Human &Physical Cities What changes could we make to London to make it a better place to live?	Human &Physical Cities What changes could we make to London to make it a better place to live?
3	Human &Physical Rivers What did the River Nile give to the Egyptian people?	Human &Physical Rivers What did the River Nile give to the Egyptian people?	Place Knowledge Europe Who are our European Neighbours?	Place Knowledge Europe Who are our European Neighbours?	Human &Physical What are the environmental issue surrounding volcanoes?	Human &Physical What are the environmental issue surrounding volcanoes?

4	<p>Place Knowledge comparative text similarities and differences between London and Spain</p>	<p>Place Knowledge comparative text similarities and differences between London and Spain</p>	<p>Locational Knowledge <i>What changes could make to our environment a better habitat?</i> Discussion text - In what ways are current agricultural practices affecting the environment?</p>	<p>Locational Knowledge <i>What changes could make to our environment a better habitat?</i> Discussion text - In what ways are current agricultural practices affecting the environment?</p>	<p>Human &Physical Rainforest <i>Deforestation is necessary, as we need more land for housing and farming.</i> Persuasive letter- on the Amazon rainforest</p>	<p>Human &Physical Rainforest <i>Deforestation is necessary, as we need more land for housing and farming.</i> Persuasive letter- on the Amazon rainforest</p>
5	<p>Place Knowledge locational knowledge Which country in Africa would you choose to live in and why?</p>	<p>Place Knowledge locational knowledge Which country in Africa would you choose to live in and why?</p>	<p>Human &Physical skills & field work Rivers What are the effects of rivers on the environment?</p>	<p>Human &Physical skills & field work Rivers What are the effects of rivers on the environment?</p>	<p>Human &Physical Locational Environmental Issues What are natural resources in Britain? Extreme weather – are they truly forces of nature or are they preventable?</p>	<p>Human &Physical Locational Environmental Issues What are natural resources in Britain? Extreme weather – are they truly forces of nature or are they preventable?</p>
6	<p>Overall Big Question for the year: How do the America's compare with the UK?</p> <p>Place Knowledge/locational knowledge South America: Brazil -What is the significance of the Physical and Human Geography of Brazil? A Final Write – Newspaper report on a current issue facing Brazil – Fires in the Amazon Rainforest -</p>		<p>Human &Physical Geography /Geographical skills & field work</p> <p>North America: An overview & Comparison of the Americas -How do the people and places of the America's compare?</p>		<p>Human &Physical Geography</p> <p>Yosemite National Park: -What impact do humans have on the physical geography of a place?</p> <p>Final Write – persuasive travel leaflet</p>	