	PROGRESSION OF SKILLS IN GEOGRAPHY						
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Geographical enquiry	 Teacher led enquiries, to ask and respond to simple closed questions. Use information books/pictures as sources of information. Investigate their surroundings - Make observations about where things are e.g. within school or local area. 	 Children encouraged to ask simple geographical questions; Where is it? What's it like? Use NF books, stories, maps, pictures/photos and internet as sources of information. Investigate their surroundings Make appropriate observations about why things happen. Make simple comparisons between features of different places. 	 Begin to ask/initiate geographical questions. Use NF books, stories, atlases, pictures/photos and internet as sources of information. Investigate places and themes at more than one scale Begin to collect and record evidence Analyse evidence and begin to draw conclusions e.g. make comparisons between two locations using photos/ pictures, temperatures in different locations. 	 Ask and respond to questions and offer their own ideas. Extend to satellite images, aerial photographs Investigate places and themes at more than one scale Collect and record evidence with some aid Analyse evidence and draw conclusions e.g. make comparisons between locations photos/pictures/ maps 	 Ask and respond to questions and offer their own ideas. Extend to satellite images, aerial photographs Investigate places and themes at more than one scale Collect and record evidence with some aid Analyse evidence and draw conclusions e.g. make comparisons between locations photos/pictures/ maps 	Suggest questions for investigating • Use primary and secondary sources of evidence in their investigations. • Investigate places with more emphasis on the larger scale; contrasting and distant places • Collect and record evidence unaided • Analyse evidence and draw conclusions e.g. from field work data on land use comparing land use/temperature, look at patterns and explain reasons behind it	
Direction/Location	 Follow directions (Up, down, left/right, forwards/backwards) 		 Use 4 compass points to follow/give directions: Use letter/no. co- ordinates to locate features on a map. 	 Use 4 compass points well: Begin to use 8 compass points; Use letter/no. co- ordinates to locate features on a map confidently. 	 Use 8 compass points; Begin to use 4 figure co- ordinates to locate features on a map. 	 Use 8 compass points confidently and accurately; Use 4 figure co- ordinates confidently to locate features on a map. Begin to use 6 figure grid refs; use latitude and longitude on atlas maps. 	

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Drawing maps	• Draw picture maps of imaginary places and from stories.	• Draw a map of a real or imaginary place. (e.g. add detail to a sketch map from aerial photograph)	 Try to make a map of a short route experienced, with features in correct order; Try to make a simple ended drawing 	 Make a map of a short route experienced, with features in correct order; Make a simple scale 	• Begin to draw a variety of thematic maps based on their own data.	 Draw a variety of thematic maps based on their own data. Begin to draw plans of increasing complexity.
Representation	• Use own symbols on imaginary map.	 Begin to understand the need for a key. Use class agreed symbols to make a simple key. 	 scale drawing. Know why a key is needed. Use standard symbols. 	drawing. Know why a key is needed. Begin to recognise symbols on an OS map.	 Draw a sketch map using symbols and a key Use/ recognise OS map symbols. 	 Use/ recognise OS map symbols. Use atlas symbols.
Using maps	 Use a simple picture map to move around the school; Recognise that it is about a place. 	 Follow a route on a map. Use a plan view. Use an infant atlas to locate places. 	• Locate places on larger scale maps e.g. map of Europe. Follow a route on a map with some accuracy. (e.g. whilst orienteering)	 Locate places on large scale maps, (e.g. Find UK or India on globe) Follow a route on a large-scale map. 	 Using maps with aerial photographs. Select a map for specific purposes. (E.g., Pick atlas to find Thai wan OS map to find local village). Begin to use atlases to find out about other features of places. (e.g. find wettest part of the world) 	 Follow a short route on an OS map. Describe features shown on OS map. Locate places on a world map. Use atlases to find out about other features of places. (e.g. mountain regions, weather patterns)
Scale/Distance	• Use relative vocabulary (e.g. bigger/smaller, like/dislike)	 Begin to spatially match places (e.g. recognise UK on a small scale and larger scale map) 	 Begin to match boundaries (E.g. find same boundary of a country on different scale maps.) 	 Begin to match boundaries (E.g. find same boundary of a county on different scale maps 	 Measure straight line distance on a plan. Find/recognise places on maps of different scales. (E.g. river Nile.) 	 Use a scale to measure distances. Draw/use maps and plans at a range of scales.
Perspective	• Draw around objects to make a plan.	• Look down on objects to make a plan view map.	Begin to draw a sketch map from a high view point.	• Draw a sketch map from a high view point.	• Draw a plan view map with some accurately.	• Draw a plan view map accurately.

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Map Knowledge	• Learn names of some places in and around the UK e.g., home town, cities and countries e.g. Wales, France.	• Locate and name on UK map major features, London, River Thames, home town	 Begin to identify points on maps A, B and C 	 Begin to identify significant places and environments 	 Identify significant places and environments 	• Confidently identify significant places and environments
Style of map	• Picture maps and globes	 Find land/ sea on globe Use teacher base drawn maps Use large scale OS maps Use an infant atlas 	 Use large scale OS maps Begin to use map sites on internet Begin to use junior atlases Begin to identify features on aerial/ oblique photographs 	 Use large and medium scale OS maps Use junior atlases Use map sites on internet Identify features on aerial / oblique photographs 	 Use index and contents page within atlases Use medium land ranger OS maps 	 Use OS maps Confidently use atlases Recognise world map as flattened globe