



St. Francis Xavier's RC Primary School

Geography Unit Guidance and Formative Assessment

Year Group:	Year 4 Spring Term 1	Subject:	Geography
Unit:	Locational knowledge: locate the world's countries, with a focus on Europe, and major cities	Prerequisite Learning and Curriculum Links	<p>EYFS ELG People, Culture and Communities Describe the immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps; know some similarities and differences between different religious and cultural communities in this country; explain some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries drawing on knowledge from stories, non-fiction text and when appropriate – maps.</p> <p>Year 1 The UK – To name, locate and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the UK; to identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in the UK</p> <p>Year 2 To name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans; to locate hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles; to identify the physical and human features of coasts</p> <p>Year 3 Name and locate counties and cities of UK, identify human and physical characteristics, Year 3 Study of rivers and canals in the Black Country and the changing landscape over time</p> <p>Curriculum Links in Current Year Group:</p> <p>Computing: Presenting information – Powerpoint;</p> <p>Maths: Compass points and direction</p>

ROCKS (Remembering Our Curriculum Knowledge and Skills)

I can use maps, atlases and globes to identify countries in the world and major cities

I can use maps to locate Europe (include the location of Russia) and name the countries of Europe and major cities

I can identify the key human characteristics of European countries including significant landmarks, languages, cultures and flags

I can identify the key physical characteristics of the environmental regions of Europe including climate types, mountain ranges, volcanoes and seas

Progressive Journey:

Recall of 7 continents Year 2 study
 Locate world countries and major capital cities
 Locate Europe and identify the countries of Europe and major cities
 Investigate key human characteristics of European countries including languages, landmarks eg: The Berlin Wall, Eiffel Tower, The Colosseum, culture and flags
 Investigate key physical characteristics: climate, mountain ranges, major rivers, volcanoes eg: Mount Etna

Skills:

Using maps, atlases, globes, digital / computer mapping and aerial photographs to locate countries and recognise landmarks and human and physical features
 To use the eight points of the compass when locating features on maps
 To use digital technology to research countries - their physical and human characteristics

Key Vocabulary: compass point, globe,

Key Human Features: The European Union, capital city, city, landmark eg: The Berlin Wall, population, tourist, flag, currency

Key Physical Features: continent, country, mountains, mountain ranges: The Alps, The Pyrenees, climate, climate zone, coasts, The English Channel (an 'arm' of the Atlantic Ocean), seas, rivers eg: The River Volga, The Danube, The Rhine, The Ural River, volcanoes eg: Vesuvius, Etna; The Black Forest in SW Germany