



Year 7 – Geography – Term 1



We are learning:

- Geography is a new subject for most children as it is done to a much smaller extent in the primary schools. In the first term, the students will learn what the subject entails (human, physical and environmental geography), they will learn about scale (local to global) and study in detail their local area of Leicester and the county.
- **Key concepts:**
 - Understand what being a geographer means
 - Ask and answer geographical questions
 - Conduct geographical enquiries
 - Learn and understand about key aspects of studying people and places
 - How to use geographical data, how to interpret and present data and use data in analysis and making conclusion
 - Know how to use maps – to locate places, to differentiate scale on maps, use map symbols
 - Describe physical and human characteristics of the UK
 - Understand UK climate
 - Know about past and present migrations to / out of the UK
 - Know what is a UK economy – from global to local
 - Locate Leicester and appreciate its physical and human geography
 - Use basic GIS such as GoogleEarth, Googlemaps, geolocation apps 'what3words'

Useful Links:

- Knowledge organiser – available via the VLE
- What is Geography? <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zm38q6f/articles/z6hb3j6>
- Maps, symbols and contour lines. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zm38q6f/articles/ztpgbqt>
- Measuring distance and grid references. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zm38q6f/articles/zhnrg7h>
- Using an Atlas. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zm38q6f/articles/zy38kty>
- Geographical Information Systems (GIS). <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zm38q6f/articles/z3rjwnb>
- Migration. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gfJvXYfxeZl>

Extension geography

- The Digital Atlas Project. <https://www.digitalatlasproject.net/>
- Careers in Geography. <https://geography.org.uk/curriculum-support/support-guidance-promoting-geography/careers-in-geography-getting-started/>

How can you support your child:

- Ensure they are checking the knowledge organiser every two weeks and testing them on core knowledge
- **Try asking them:**
 - What are examples of physical geography and where can you see that around?
 - How do people and the environment interact?
 - What are maps used for? How can you find places on a map?
 - How do we use 4 and 6 figure grid references? Why is this useful?
 - What are the main physical geography features of the British landscape?
 - What are the human geography features in the UK?
 - What is the UK's climate like? Why is it never too hot or too cold?
 - Why is geography an important subject to study?
 - Where is Leicester located?
 - How is Leicester's location useful for the city future?
 - What are the main human and physical geography features of the city?
 - Why is Leicester so diverse?

