St Peter's Roman Catholic Primary School

Geography Class 1 Year A
World Continents and Oceans

Substantive concept: Place

Disciplinary concept: Map skills

Enquiry Question: What special features does Buddy the Bee see in the places he visits on each continent?

What is this topic about?

In this unit, we will explore the seven continents of the world. We will join Buddy the Bee as he visits a country on each of the seven continents and explores their features, people and landmarks. We will learn where the seven continents are on a map and learn about each one.

During this unit, I will discover ...

- We live in the UK, which is in Europe.
- The names of some of the continents of the world
- The names of some of the main oceans of the world.
- The names of some countries of the world and the continents to which they belong.

During this unit, I will work geographically to ...

- Name and locate the UK and countries in the wider world.
- Name and locate continents of the world.
- Describe some features of different countries within the seven continents.
- Describe some similarities and differences between our country and countries in other continents.
- Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical and human features.
- Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries, as well as countries, continents and oceans of the world.



Key Knowledge (linked to concepts). What children NEED to know.

Buddy the Bee saw many special features as he visited a country on each of the seven continents. Using a world map, he learned where each continent was and discovered what made them special. In Europe, he visited France and saw famous buildings and landmarks such as the Eiffel Tower, as well as busy cities where people lived and worked. In Asia, Buddy travelled to China and noticed very large cities, tall buildings, and important landmarks like the Great Wall of China. He learned that Australia was both a continent and a country and saw natural features such as long sandy beaches, dry outback land, and animals like kangaroos and koalas. In Africa, Buddy visited Kenya and observed savannah grasslands, wild animals such as lions, elephants and giraffes, and noticed the differences between rural villages and busy towns. In North America, he travelled to the USA, learned that it was made up of states, saw famous landmarks such as the Statue of Liberty, and found out how people celebrated Independence Day on the 4th of July with parades and fireworks. In South America, Buddy visited Brazil and saw rainforests, wide rivers like the Amazon, mountains, and famous landmarks such as the Christ the Redeemer statue. Finally, in Antarctica, Buddy discovered a land covered in ice and snow, where there were no cities or countries, only research stations, and animals such as penguins and seals that could survive in the freezing cold.