St Peter's Roman Catholic Primary School

# Geography Class 2 Year A
# World Continents and Oceans

Substantive concept: Place

Disciplinary concept: Map skills

**Enquiry Question:** Where are we in the world, and how can we use maps and globes to find continents, oceans and simple journeys from the UK?

**What is this topic about?**

In this unit, we will learn about the location of countries, continents and oceans of the world in relation to the position of the UK and our own locality. We will develop global awareness by looking in detail at the position of the seven continents and five oceans of the world, understanding that the world is spherical and creating our own journeys across the world. We will continue to build on their map skills using atlases, world maps and globes, along with using aerial photographs to recognise human and physical features including landmarks.

**During this unit, I will discover..**

- We live in the UK, which is in Europe.
- The names and locations of some of the continents of the world
- The names and locations of some of the main oceans of the world.
- That journeys can be made around the world and begin to follow a simple journey line using key vocabulary.
- Some hot and cold areas of the world.
- Simple compass directions (NESW).

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

- Name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans.
- Use world maps, atlas and globes to identify the UK and its countries, as well as countries, continents and oceans.
- Name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans in the context of the geography of the world.
- Name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans in the context of creating journey lines.
- Understand the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the equator and North and South Pole.
- Use aerial photographs to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features.
- Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical and human features.




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

We live in the UK, a country in the continent of Europe. The world is round like a ball (a sphere), which is why we use a globe to help us see the whole world. There are seven continents in the world: Europe, Africa, Asia, North America, South America, Antarctica and Australia. There are five oceans: the Pacific Ocean, the Atlantic Ocean, the Indian Ocean, the Southern Ocean and the Arctic Ocean.

Some places near the Equator are hot, and places near the North Pole and South Pole are very cold.

We can use globes to see the world as a sphere, and we can use world maps and atlases to find countries, continents and oceans. We use compass directions (N, E, S, W) to describe where places are (e.g., the UK is north of Africa, and the Atlantic Ocean is west of the UK).

To show simple journeys from the UK, we can find the UK on a map, choose another continent (for example, Africa), draw a simple journey line from the UK to Africa, name the ocean we might cross (for example, the Atlantic Ocean), and describe the direction we are travelling (e.g., south).