



Endpoints for Geography

Year 2 – Map Masters



During this project, we will learn what an atlas is and how it helps us find places around the world. We will use the four cardinal compass points to follow and give directions and will learn how map keys use symbols to show important features. We will then apply these skills to maps of their school grounds.

What I know and can explain

The seven continents of the world are Africa, Antarctica, Asia, Australia, Europe, North America and South America.

A compass is an instrument that is used for finding a direction

The four cardinal points on a compass are north, south, east and west

Maps help people to plan a route from one place to another and to identify and locate physical and human features

Maps use symbols and a key. A key is the information needed to read a map and a symbol is a picture or icon used to show a geographical feature

Fieldwork can help us answer questions about the local community

Useful Vocabulary

Atlas - A book of maps that show the geographical features of an area

Compass – A tool which shows the direction of magnetic north. Used to navigate.

Human feature - A feature that has been made by humans, such as a shop, road and school

Key - A list of the symbols used on a map with a description of what they mean

Physical feature - A feature that has formed naturally, such as a mountain, lake and river

Symbol – A picture which represents a physical or human feature on a map