

St Bede's RC Primary School:

Topic Overview – History and Geography



Year	Autumn: Advent Term		Spring: Lenten Term		Summer: Trinity Term	
1	A Toy's Story: Hi1/1.1 Changes within memory – Toys	Why can't a Meerkat live in the North Pole? Ge1/1.3 Human and Physical Geography – Seasonal and daily weather patterns	The Queen of Hearts Hi1/1.2 Events beyond living memory that are significant nationally or globally <i>The Queen</i>	At the farm: Ge1/1.3 + Ge1/1.4 <i>What and why, farm features, maps and keys, farm seasons, town and country</i>	All Aboard Hi1/1.3 Significant events, people and places – <i>George Stephenson Darlington Railways</i>	It's raining, it's pouring! Ge1/1.3 <i>Seasonal v daily weather, inland v coastal weather, forecasts, world weather, equatorial region</i>
1/2	What has changed since my Grandparents were little? Hi1/1.1 Changes within memory	Why do we love to be beside the seaside? Ge1/1.3 <i>Human and Physical Geography – Seasonal and daily weather patterns</i>	Explorers: Hi1/ 1.3 Lives of significant individuals – <i>Christopher Columbus & Neil Armstrong</i>	Where do the wheels on the bus go? Ge1/1.1 <i>Locational Knowledge</i>	Homes from the past: Hi1/1.1 Changes within memory – <i>Homes and Houses</i>	All around the world: Ge1/1.1 + Ge1/1.3 + Ge1/1.4 <i>Europe, Asia, Australia, Africa, North America</i>
2	Castles Hi/1.3 Lives of significant individuals Significant historical events	Map makers: Ge1/1.2 + Ge1/1.3 + Ge1/1.4 <i>Using a compass, Ariel views, plan perspectives, reading maps, making maps, designing maps</i>	Fire!: Hi1/1.2 Events beyond living memory – <i>The Great Fire of London</i>	Where does our food come from? Ge1/1.1/1.3 <i>Human and Physical Geography /Locational Knowledge</i>	Why did the Titanic sink? Hi1/1.3 Significant event beyond living memory – <i>people and places</i>	A land Down Under: Ge1/ 1.2 + Ge1/1.3 <i>Place Knowledge – Australia</i>
3-N	Tombs and Treasures: Hi2/2.3 Ancient Civilizations – <i>Ancient Egypt</i>	Let's go on a Safari: Ge1/1.1 + 1.2 +1.3 + 1.4 <i>Africa</i>	Scavengers and Settlers: Hi2/1.1 <i>Pre-Roman Britain – Stone Age to the Iron Age</i>	Antarctica: Ge2/1.1a + 1.2 +1.3 <i>Place Knowledge/Human and Physical Geography</i>	That is a very long wall!: Hi2/2.1 <i>Local History – Hadrian's Wall</i>	Weather patterns: Ge1/1.3 <i>Seasonal v daily weather, inland v coastal weather, forecasts, world weather, equatorial regions</i>
3- R	Vikings and Saxons: Hi2/1.4 <i>Anglo-Saxons and Vikings – Viking raids and invasion</i>	Active Planet: Ge2/1.3 <i>Human and Physical Geography – Tsunamis, Volcanoes & Earthquakes</i>	The Great, Bold and Brave: Hi2/1.2 <i>Roman Britain – Roman Empire and Impact on Britain</i>	In the desert: Ge2/1.1 + Ge2 1.3 <i>Locations, climates, formations, desert uses and desert dwellers</i>	Who are our local heroes? Hi2/2.1 <i>Local History Darlington Heroes</i>	Which side of the river? Ge2/1.3 + Ge2/1.4 <i>Local Geography Study - Newcastle & Gateshead Quayside</i>
4	For Queen and Country: Hi2/2.2 <i>Extended Chronological Study – Queen Victoria and The Victorians</i>	Go with the Flow: Ge2/1.3 <i>Human and Physical Geography – Rivers, and the Water Cycle</i>	The Shang Dynasty Hi2/2.3 <i>Ancient Civilisations Ancient China</i>	Natural Resources in the UK: Ge2/ 1.3 + Ge2/1.4 <i>Land Use, burning gas, clean energy, timber, paper, rubber, steel production</i>	Here and Now: Hi2/2.1 <i>Local History – Darlington</i>	India: Ge2/13 + Ge2/1.4 <i>Location, mountain ranges, rivers, cities, culture, comparisons between Durham and New Delhi</i>
5	The World at War: Hi2/2.2 <i>Extended Chronological Study – WW2</i>	Why should the rainforest be important to us all? Ge2/1.3 <i>Human and Physical Geography Amazon Rainforest</i>	The Greeks: Hi2/2.4 <i>Ancient Greece – Greek life, achievements and influence</i>	UK Study with locality fieldwork Study: Ge2/1.4 <i>Geographical Skills and Fieldwork- Darlington locality</i>	The Fall of an Empire: Hi2/1.3 <i>Anglo-Saxons and Scots – Britain's settlement</i>	North America study: Ge2/1.1 + Ge2/1.2 <i>Countries, climates, features, capital cities, time zones, trade and economy, comparisons</i>
6	Fight or Flight: Hi2/2.2 <i>Extended Chronological Study – The relevance of WW1</i>	Earning a Living Ge2/1.1a + 1.3 + 1.4 <i>Industries in UK/Other countries</i>	The Mayans Hi2/2.5 <i>Non-European Study –</i>	A Comparison of Countries: Ge2/1.2 <i>Place Knowledge UK v South America</i>	Crime and Punishment Hi2/2.2 <i>Extended Chronological Study Changes in an aspect of Social History</i>	Marvellous Mountains: Ge2/1.3 <i>Human and Physical Geography</i>

History and Geography is blocked with each topic taught for approximately one half term; this allows for full curriculum coverage, accurate assessment and clear opportunities for deeper learning to occur.

Key

Geographical themed topic

Historical themed topic