

Thomas Gray Long Term Geography Plan

At Thomas Gray Primary School we teach Geography through a thematic approach. Throughout each theme the pupils will explore three main threshold concepts - the 'big ideas' that underpin the subject.

The three threshold concepts in geography are:

- **Investigate places** - This concept involves understanding the geographical location of places and their physical and human features.
- **Investigate patterns** - This concept involves understanding the relationships between the physical features of places and the human activity within them, and the appreciation of how the world's natural resources are used and transported.
- **Communicate geographically** - This concept involves understanding geographical representations, vocabulary and techniques (Including mapping and fieldwork skills).

Below shows the themes that each year group will be covering.

Thomas Gray Long Term Geography Plan (Themes)

	Autumn		Spring		Summer	
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Year 1	Hot and cold areas of the world (Penguins, Possums and Pigs)		Seasonal and daily weather (Wind in the Willows Y2)		Fieldwork in the school grounds (The Great Outdoors)	
Year 2	Small area of the UK - Where I live and play (The Place Where I Live)		Small area in a contrasting non-European country (Explorers)		UK countries and capital cities (Family Album Y1)	
Ongoing throughout KS1 observations over time of seasonal weather and length of day / Names of Continents/Oceans UK Countries and Seas/Appropriate Local, UK and World News/ Significant Events etc						
Year 3	The region where I live (Liverpool); OS mapwork plus fieldwork in the local area (There's No Place Like Home))	Key aspects of volcanoes and earthquakes (Rock and Roll!)		A region in the UK - Chester (What the Romans did for us)	
Year 4		Rubbish and recycling - environmental study (The Great Plague)		Contrasting region in a European country Spain - Madrid (Passport to Europe)	Key aspects of rivers (Water, Water Everywhere)	
Year 5	UK cities, counties and key features - research (A Kingdom United)		World food - where does food come from? (World Food)		Contrasting region - Amazon Basin, rainforest, biomes (Amazon Adventure)	
Year 6	World's countries and key features - research (Survival)				Human geography, land use, economic activity, OS mapwork (Oh! I Do Like To Be Beside The Seaside)	
Ongoing throughout KS2 Names of Continents/Countries/Counties, Ocean and Seas / Appropriate Local, UK and World News/Significant Events						

