Year 2 - Autumn 1 Knowledge Organiser What a wonderful World - Geography



Through the use of Atlases, maps, globes and digital resources we will be able to name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans. We will look closely at the United Kingdom and learn the name of the four countries and their capital cities. We will be able to construct basic symbols in a key to match a school map. We will learn about simple compass directions (North, South, East, West) and use this knowledge to move around maps and describe routes.

| Continents | Oceans |
|---------------|----------------|
| Africa | Artic Ocean |
| Antarctica | Atlantic Ocean |
| Asia | Indian ocean |
| Australasia | Pacific Ocean |
| Europe | Southern Ocean |
| North America | |
| South America | |

By the end of the topic can your child answer these questions?

Where is the United Kingdom?

What are the capital cities of the four countries in the United Kingdom?

What are the names of the 7 continents?

What are the names of the worlds 5 oceans?

Are all maps the same?

What are the four compass point directions?

What physical and human features are close to our school?

What would you see in a map?

Map of the World



The United Kingdom



Compass Points



Key vocabulary

Atlas: A book of maps.

<u>Capital city:</u> A city or town where the government of a county function.

Compass: An instrument used for navigation.

<u>Continent:</u> Continents are large areas of land that cover the Earth's surface.

Country: An area of land that is are controlled by a single government.

Key: Gives information for the map to make sense.

<u>Land:</u> Land is the part of the Earth's surface not covered by water. It is solid. It includes islands and continents.

Map: Are views from above or a bird's eye view of a place and its use.

Ocean: Oceans are vast areas of salty water. There are 5 Oceans that are all

connected. The Oceans are the Pacific, Atlantic, Indian, Arctic and Southern. 71% of the Earth is covered by salty water.

<u>River:</u> Rivers are large amounts of flowing fresh water that flow down hill towards oceans. Rivers often join together to make bigger rivers.

Sea: Seas are parts of oceans and are found in areas where the ocean and land meet.