Medium-term planning Autumn 1: Have you ever been lost?

This unit develops the children's knowledge about the world, starting with their immediate environment. They are encouraged to use subject-specific vocabulary and to use first-hand observation and experience to enhance their locational awareness.

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W	Outcomes	Curriculum objectives	Geographical skills and understanding
1	 Begins to understand place within the immediate setting of their classroom. Can understand that some areas are connected with a particular type of activity, and why this is. Can discuss specific areas/preferences within class. Begins to relate the physical environment to a plan. 	Geographical skills and fieldwork: use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study geography of their school. Use plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features; devise a simple map; and use basic symbols in a key. Use simple compass directions and locational and directional languageto describe the location of features and routes on a map.	 Use simple compass directions (N, S, E, W) to describe the location of features. Use observational skills to study the geography of their classroom.
2	 Can use and interpret a simple plan. Can understand that a plan can represent a physical area. Can extend their use of positional language. 	Geographical skills and fieldwork: use plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features; devise a simple map; and use basic symbols in a key.	 Develop and follow directional vocabulary and use it to describe the location of features. Begin to understand the need for and use of a key. Use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of their school.
3	 Can understand that a plan can represent a physical area in 2D form. Can understand that symbols are used in a key and that these represent physical features on a plan. 	 Human and physical geography: use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical features and key human features. Geographical skills and field work: use plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features; devise a simple map; and use basic symbols in a key. 	Develop and follow directional vocabulary and use it to describe the location of features. Use own and class agreed symbols on maps. Use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of their school and the key human/physical features of its surrounding environment.
4	 Can consolidate their understanding of plans. Can use their ideas for representation. Can use and extend use of positional vocabulary. Can communicate ideas to others. 	 Geographical skills and fieldwork: use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of their school. Use plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features; devise a simple map; and use basic symbols in a key. Use simple compass directions and locational and directional language. 	 Use simple compass directions to describe the location of features. Develop and follow directional vocabulary and use it to describe the location of features. Use agreed symbols on maps. Use simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of their school and the key human/physical features of its surrounding environment.
5	 Can relate ideas through practical experience. Experiences N, S, E and W in various ways. Can understand that symbols give meaning and represent areas/objects. 	 Geographical skills and fieldwork: use simple compass directions and locational and directional language. Human and physical geography: use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical features and key human features. 	Use simple compass directions to describe the location of features. Develop and follow directional vocabulary and use it to describe the location of features.
6	 Can relate to new concepts through role play. Able to use their extended vocabulary. Can identify places through recognisable symbols. 	Human and physical geography: use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical features and key human features.	 Use simple compass directions to describe the location of features. Develop and follow directional vocabulary and use it to describe the location of features. Use aerial photographs to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features. Explore through role play.