

Curriculum intent

At Colton, we believe that Geography helps to provoke and answer questions about the physical and human worlds. We know children in Colton have a good understanding of their local area, in Geography we aim to widen their view to see the world and their place in it as a whole. Geography helps to develop a range of investigation and problem-solving skills that are transferable to other curriculum areas. Geography is, by nature an investigative subject, which develops an understanding of concepts, knowledge and skills.

We believe there needs to be a key focus on fieldwork and getting out into the wide open world around us. We seek to inspire in children a curiosity and fascination about the world and its people which will remain with them for the rest of their lives. In a world of ever changing divisions, we aim to show the children their place and how we all fit together into one global community. We aim to develop children's interest and understanding about diverse places, people, resources and natural and human environments, together with a deep understanding of the Earth's key physical and human processes.

Colton Primary Geography Taught

Year group	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
EYFS Understanding the World	Local area of Colton Using simple maps - UK	Contrasting environments – coastal Arial photographs	Climate and weather, animals and our area.
1	Weather/ seasons	Countries and capitals of the UK	Our school grounds and local area
2	Climate (Penguin focus)	Coastal areas physical and human features	Compare our local area to small area of Non-European country (China)
3	Land use and development of Thorpe Park (local)	Counties and cities	Mountains, Rivers and Coasts
4	Climate zones and longitude latitude effects	We are Europe (Look at our sister city – Lille)	Anglo Saxon Settlements
5	Viking) settlements and land use	Landscape and places of North and South America	Use fieldwork in local area to measure and observe
6	Earth matters – natural disasters Or focus on flash flooding	To pick 3 places - compare region of UK, region of Europe and region of North/ south America	Use grid on map to find locations



Progression of knowledge and skills in Geography



Strand	EYFS	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
im en usi fro dis sto fic	escribe their nmediate nvironment sing knowledge om observation, scussion, ories, non- ction texts and aps.	Teacher led enquiries, to ask and respond to simple closed questions. Use information books/pictures as sources of information. Investigate their surroundings. Make observations about where things are e.g. within school or local area.	Children encouraged to ask simple geographical questions; Where is it? What's it like? Use NF books, stories, maps, pictures/photos and internet as sources of information. Investigate their surroundings. Make appropriate observations about why things happen. Make simple comparisons between features of different places.	Begin to ask/initiate geographical questions. Use NF books, stories, atlases, pictures/photos and internet as sources of information. Investigate places and themes at more than one scale. Begin to collect and record evidence. Analyse evidence and begin to draw conclusions e.g. make comparisons between two locations using photos/ pictures, temperatures in different locations.	Ask and respond to questions and offer their own ideas. Extend to satellite images, aerial photographs Investigate places and themes at more than one scale. Collect and record evidence with some aid. Analyse evidence & draw conclusions e.g. make comparisons between locations photos/pictures/ maps	Begin to suggest questions for investigating Begin to use primary and secondary sources of evidence in their investigations. Investigate places with more emphasis on the larger scale; contrasting and distant places. Collect and record evidence unaided. Analyse evidence & draw conclusions e.g. compare historical maps of varying scales e.g. temperature of various locations - influence on people/everyday life	Suggest questions for investigating Use primary and secondary sources of evidence in their investigations. Investigate places with more emphasis on the larger scale; contrastin and distant places. Collect and record evidence unaided. Analyse evidence and draw conclusions e.g. from field work data on land use comparing lar use/temperature, look at patterns and explain reasons behind it

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		Explain some similarities and	Name and locate the	Name and locate	Locate the world's	Locate the world's	Use maps to locate	Use maps to locate the	Formatted Table
		differences	world's seven continents and five	the world's seven continents and five	countries, using	countries, using	the world's	world's countries with a	
		between life in			maps,	maps,	countries with a	focus on Eastern Europe	
		this country and	oceans;	oceans;	concentrating on	concentrating on environmental	focus on North and	and South America,	
		life in other			environmental		South America,	concentrating on their	
		countries, drawing	name, locate and	name, locate and	regions and key	regions and key	concentrating on	environmental regions,	
		on knowledge	identify	identify	physical and	physical and	their environmental	key physical and human	
		from stories, non-	characteristics of the	characteristics of	human	human	regions, key	characteristics,	
		fiction texts and	four countries and	the four countries	characteristics;	characteristics;	physical and human	countries, and major	
		(when	capital cities of the	and capital cities of			characteristics,	cities;	
		appropriate)	United Kingdom and	the United	name and locate	name and locate	countries, and		
		maps.	its surrounding seas;	Kingdom and its	counties and cities	counties and cities	major cities;		
		maps.		surrounding seas;	of the United	of the United			
			use key vocabulary to		Kingdom,	Kingdom,	name and locate	name and locate	
			demonstrate	use key vocabulary	identifying human	identifying human	counties and cities	counties and cities of	
	a		knowledge and	to demonstrate	and physical	and physical	of the United	the United Kingdom,	
	ы Б		understanding in this	knowledge and	characteristics	characteristics	Kingdom,	identifying their physical	
	le		strand.	understanding in	including hills,	including hills,	identifying their	features, including	
	<u>s</u>			this strand.	mountains, rivers	mountains, rivers	physical features,	mountains, and rivers,	
	, v				and seas, and how	and seas, and how	including	and land-use patterns;	
	<u> </u>				a place has	a place has	mountains, and	showing change over	
	Location Knowledge				changed;	changed;	rivers, and land-use	time;	
	cat						patterns; showing		
	Ĕ				identify the	identify the	change over time;		
					position and	position and			
					significance of	significance of	identify the position	identify the position and	
					latitude,	latitude, longitude,	and significance of	significance of latitude,	
					longitude,	Equator, Northern	latitude, longitude,	longitude, Equator,	
					Equator, Northern	Hemisphere,	Equator, Northern	Northern Hemisphere,	
					Hemisphere,	Southern	Hemisphere,	Southern Hemisphere	
					Southern	Hemisphere, the	Southern	and use longitude and	
					Hemisphere, the	Tropics of Cancer	Hemisphere and use	latitude to find locations	
					Tropics of Cancer	and Capricorn,	longitude and	on a map;	
					and Capricorn,	Arctic and	latitude to find		
					Arctic and	Antarctic Circle,	locations on a map;		
					Antarctic Circle,	the			
					the	Prime/Greenwich			
					Prime/Greenwich				

	Meridian and time zones; use key vocabulary to demonstrate knowledge and understanding in	Meridian and time zones; use key vocabulary to demonstrate knowledge and understanding in	use key vocabulary to demonstrate knowledge and understanding in this strand.	use key vocabulary to demonstrate knowledge and understanding in this strand.
	this strand.	understanding in this strand.		

	Know some	Compare a local	Compare the UK	Understand	Understand	Understand	Understand
	similarities and	city/town in the UK	with a contrasting	geographical	geographical	geographical	geographical similarities
	differences	with a contrasting	country in the	similarities and	similarities and	similarities and	and differences through
	between the	city/town in the UK;	world;	differences	differences	differences through	the study of human
	natural world			through the study	through the study	the study of human	geography of a region of
	around them and	use key vocabulary to	compare a local	of human	of human	geography of a	the United Kingdom, a
	contrasting	demonstrate	city/town in the UK	geography of a	geography of a	region of the United	region of Eastern
	environments,	knowledge and	with a contrasting	region of the	region of the UK;	Kingdom, a region	Europe and South
	drawing on their	understanding in this	city/town in a	United Kingdom;		of North and South	America;
	experiences and	strand.	different country;	onneu kinguoni,	explore similarities	America;	, uncrica,
	what has been	stranu.	unterent country,	explore similarities	and differences,	America,	understand
	read in class.			and differences,	comparing human	understand	geographical similarities
	read in class.		use key vocabulary	comparing human	geography of a	geographical	and differences through
			to demonstrate	geography of a	region of the UK	similarities and	the study of physical
			knowledge and	region of the UK;	and a region in a	differences through	geography of a region of
			understanding in	region of the ok,	-	-	
Place Knowledge			this strand.	understand	European country;	the study of	the United Kingdom, a
ed						physical geography	region of Eastern
ž				geographical	understand	of a region of the	Europe and South
l é l				similarities and	geographical	United Kingdom, a	America;
Т <u>Х</u>				differences	similarities and	region of Eastern	
e				through the study	differences	Europe and South	use key vocabulary to
lac				of physical	through the study	America;	demonstrate knowledge
				geography of a	of physical		and understanding in
				region of the UK;	geography of a	use key vocabulary	this strand.
					region of the UK;	to demonstrate	
				explore similarities		knowledge and	
				and differences	explore similarities	understanding in	
				comparing the	and differences	this strand.	
				physical	comparing the		
				geography of a	physical geography		
				region of the UK;	of a region of the		
				- /	UK & a region in a		
				use key	European country;		
				vocabulary to	·····		
				demonstrate	use key vocabulary		
				knowledge and	to demonstrate		
				understanding in	knowledge and		
				this strand.	understanding in		
				the strand.	this strand.		

	Know some similarities and	Identify seasonal and daily weather	Identify seasonal and daily weather	Physical geography,	Physical geography,	Physical geography, including: climate	Physical geography, including: climate zones,
	differences	patterns in the United	patterns in the	including: climate	including: climate	zones, biomes,	biomes, volcanoes,
	between the	Kingdom.	United Kingdom	zones, biomes and	zones, biomes and	volcanoes,	tornadoes, tsunamis,
	natural world		and the location of	vegetation belts,	vegetation belts,	tornadoes,	earthquakes and the
	around them and	use basic	hot and cold areas	mountains and the	mountains and the	tsunamis,	water cycle;
f l	contrasting	geographical	of the world in	water cycle;	water cycle;	earthquakes and	
ap	environments,	vocabulary to refer to	relation to the			the water cycle;	human geography,
1gc	drawing on their	key physical features,	Equator and the	human geography,	human geography,		including: types of
Physical Geography	experiences and	including: beach, cliff,	North and South	including: types of	including: types of	human geography,	settlement and land
	what has been	coast, forest, hill,	Poles;	settlement and	settlement and	including: types of	use, economic activity
ica	read in class.	mountain, sea, ocean,		land use;	land use;	settlement and land	including trade links,
ys	Lindonato a di como	river, soil, valley,	use basic			use, economic	and the distribution of
РЧ	Understand some important	vegetation, season	geographical vocabulary to refer	use key	use key vocabulary	activity including	natural resources
and	processes and	and weather;	to key physical	vocabulary to	to demonstrate	trade links, and the	including energy, food,
	changes in the		features, including:	demonstrate	knowledge and	distribution of	minerals and water;
an	natural world	use basic	beach, cliff, coast,	knowledge and	understanding in	natural resources	
Human	around them,	geographical	forest, hill,	understanding in	this strand.	including energy,	use key vocabulary to
Ŧ	including the	vocabulary to refer to	mountain, sea,	this strand.		food, minerals and	demonstrate knowledge
	seasons.	key human features,	ocean, river, soil,			water;	and understanding in
		including: city, town,	valley, vegetation,				this strand.
		village, factory, farm,	season and			use key vocabulary	
		house, office, port,	weather;			to demonstrate	
		harbour and shop.	,			knowledge and	
			use basic			understanding in	
			geographical			this strand.	
			vocabulary to refer				
			to key human				
			features, including:				
			city, town, village,				
			factory, farm,				
			house, office, port,				
			harbour and shop.				

Direction / Location	Follow directions (Up, down, left/right, forwards/backwards)	Follow directions (as yr 1 and inc'. NSEW)	Use 4 compass points to follow/give directions: Use letter/no. co- ordinates to locate features on a map.	Use 4 compass points well: Begin to use 8 compass points; Use letter/no. co- ordinates to locate features on a map confidently.	Use 8 compass points; Begin to use 4 figure coordinates to locate features on a map.	Use 8 compass points confidently and accurately; Use 4 figure co- ordinates confidently to locate features on a map. Begin to use 6 figure grid refs; use latitude and longitude on atlas maps.
Drawing Maps	Draw picture map of imaginary places and from stories.	Draw a map of a real or imaginary place. (e.g. add detail to a sketch map from aerial photograph)	Try to make a map of a short route experienced, with features in correct order; Try to make a simple scale drawing.	Make a map of a short route experienced, with features in correct order; Make a simple scale drawing.	Begin to draw a variety of thematic maps based on their own data.	Draw a variety of thematic maps based on their own data. Begin to draw plans of increasing complexity.
Representation	Use own symbols on imaginary map.	Begin to understand the need for a key. Use class agreed symbols to make a simple key.	Know why a key is needed. Use standard symbols.	Know why a key is needed. Begin to recognise symbols on an OS map.	Draw a sketch map using symbols and a key; Use/recognise OS map symbols.	Use/recognise OS map symbols; Use atlas symbols.

	Using Maps	Use a simple picture map to move around the school; Recognise that it is about a place.	Follow a route on a map. Use a plan view. Use an infant atlas to locate places.	Locate places on larger scale maps e.g. map of Europe. Follow a route on a map with some accuracy. (e.g. whilst orienteering)	Locate places on large scale maps, (e.g. Find UK or India on globe) Follow a route on a large scale map.	Compare maps with aerial photographs. Select a map for a specific purpose. (E.g. Pick atlas to find Taiwan, OS map to find local village). Begin to use atlases to find out about other features of places. (e.g. find wettest part of the world)	Follow a short route on an OS map. Describe features shown on OS map. Locate places on a world map. Use atlases to find out about other features of places. (e.g. mountain regions, weather patterns)
	Scale and Distance	Use relative vocabulary (e.g. bigger/smaller, like/dislike)	Begin to spatially match places (e.g. recognise UK on a small scale and larger scale map)	Begin to match boundaries (E.g. find same boundary of a country on different scale maps.)	Begin to match boundaries (E.g. find same boundary of a county on different scale maps.)	Measure straight line distance on a plan. Find/recognise places on maps of different scales. (E.g. river Nile.)	Use a scale to measure distances. Draw/use maps and plans at a range of scales.
	Perspective	Draw around objects to make a plan.	Look down on objects to make a plan view map.	Begin to draw a sketch map from a high view point.	Draw a sketch map from a high view point.	Draw a plan view map with some accuracy.	Draw a plan view map accurately.
 	Map Knowledge	Learn names of some places within /around the UK. E.g. Home town, cities, countries e.g. Wales, France.	Locate and name on UK map major features e.g. London, River Thames, home location, seas.	Begin to identify points on maps A,B and C	Begin to identify significant places and environments	Identify significant places and environments	Confidently identify significant places and environments

aerial/oblique photographs. photographs.	tyle of Map	Picture maps and globes	Find land/sea on globe. Use teacher drawn base maps. Use large scale OS maps. 🛛 Use an infant atlas	Use large scale OS maps. Begin to use map sites on internet. Begin to use junior atlases. Begin to identify features on aerial/oblique photographs.	Use large and medium scale OS maps. Use junior atlases. Use map sites on internet. Identify features on aerial/oblique photographs.	Use index and contents page within atlases. Use medium scale land ranger OS maps.	Use OS maps. Confidently use an atlas Recognise world map as a flattened globe.
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<u>Key vocabulary (non-negotiable)</u>

Key Word	Location in NC	Definition
Aerial Photography	Aims	Photograph from aircraft or satellite
Arctic Circle	KS2	The imaginary circle around the earth, parallel to the equator, at latitude 66° 33' north.
Atlas	KS1 and KS2	A collection of maps, usually in book form
Beach	KS1	An area of sand or shingle sloping down to a sea or lake.
Biome	KS2	A biome is a large area on the Earth's surface that is defined by the types of animals and plants living there
Characteristics	KS2	A distinguishing quality.
City	KS1 and KS2	Any populous place. In Britain a city is recognised as a town that has received the title from the crown
Climate	KS2	The long term prevalent weather conditions of an area, determined by latitude, altitude etc.
Coast	KS1	The line or zone where the land meets the sea.
Compass	KS1	Magnetic instrument for finding directions
Continent	KS1	One of Earth's large land masses
Country	KS1 and KS2	Any political unit or state on a national scale, regardless of whether it is dependent or independent

Desert	KS2	A region that is devoid or almost devoid of vegetation because of low rainfall.
Distribution	KS2	Arrangement or location of something
<mark>Earthquake</mark>	KS2	A series of vibrations at the earth's surface caused by movement along a fault place, volcanic activity, etc
<mark>Environment</mark>	Purpose of study	External conditions and surroundings
<mark>Equator</mark>	KS1	Latitudinal imaginary line that's equidistant from both poles.
Factory	KS1	A building or group of buildings containing a plant assembly for the manufacture of goods.
Farm	KS1	A tract of land, usually with house and buildings, cultivated as a unit or used to rear livestock.
<mark>Fieldwork</mark>	Aims, KS1, KS2	An investigation or search for material or data, made in the field opposed to the classroom.
Forest	KS1	A large wooded area having a thick growth of trees and plants.
Global	KS1	Covering or relating to the whole world
<mark>Hemisphere</mark>	Ks2	Half of the terrestrial globe, dividing into northern and southern hemispheres by the equator and eastern and western hemispheres by some meridians, usually 0° and 180°
Hill	KS1	Natural elevation less high than a mountain
House	KS1	A building used as a home or dwelling
Human processes	Purpose of study	A process in which human beings are involved
Interaction	Purpose of study	A process in which human beings are involved
Interdependent	Aims	When two or more things are dependent
Landmark	KS1	A prominent or well known object in or feature of a particular landscape.
Land use	KS2	Function of the land
Latitude	KS2	An angular distance measured in degrees north and south of the equator
Locality	KS1	A neighbourhood or area. The site or scene of an event. The fact or consideration of having a location or position in space.
Location	KS1 and KS2	A site or position

	Distance in degrees east or west of the Prime Meridian at O° measured by the angle between the plane of the prime meridian and that of the meridian through the point in question, or by time difference
5	A diagrammatic representation of the earth's surface or part of it, showing the geographical distribution of features.
	Any of a class of naturally occurring solid inorganic substances with a characteristic crystalline form and a homogenous chemical composition.
	A natural upward projection of the earth's surface, higher and steeper than a hill
	A very large stretch of sea, one of five oceans of the world – Pacific, Atlantic, Indian, Arctic and Southern.
	A room or rooms in which business, professional duties, clerical work, etc. are carried out.
	An arrangement of repeated or corresponding parts
	An outline or sketch
	An area
ose of study	A source of economic wealth, especially of a country or business enterprise. A supply or source of aid or support;
KS2	A large natural stream of fresh water flowing a long a definite course, usually into the sea.
ose of study	The ratio between the size of something real and that of a representation of it.
	Of, relating to, or occurring at a certain season or seasons of the year.
	A place for the retail sale of goods and services.
	The consequence or importance of something
5	A difference of, or relating to, space.
	The top layer of the land surface of the earth that is composed of disintegrated rock particles, humus, water and air.
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Symbol	KS1	Something that represents or stands for something else.
Time Zone	KS2	A region throughout which the same standard time is used. There are 24 time zones in the world, demarcated approximately by meridians at 15° intervals, an hour apart.
Topographical	KS2	Detailed description of the surface features of a region.
Trade	KS2	The act or instance of buying and selling goods and services.
Tropic of Capricorn	KS2	Line of latitude at 23.5°S of the equator
Tropic of Cancer	KS2	Line of latitude at 23.5°N of the equator
Vegetation belt	KS2	Plant life as a whole within a certain area.
Valley	KS1	A long depression in the land surface , usually containing a river, formed by erosion or movements in the earth's crust.
Village	KS1	A small group of houses in a country area, larger than a hamlet.
Volcano	KS2	An opening in the earth's crust from which molten lava, rock fragments, ashes, dust and gases are ejected from below the earth's surface.
Water cycle	KS2	The circulation of the earth's water, in which water evaporates from the sea into the atmosphere where it condenses and falls as rain or snow.
Weather	KS1	The day to day meteorological conditions, especially temperature, cloudiness and rainfall, affecting a specific place.

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