

Knowledge Organiser

Y3 Term 1 Geography

UK

Links to other years

Y2 - Children will have drawn maps or plans using symbols for a key. Name, describe and compare human and physical features Yorkshire. Name the countries in the UK, islands and seas.

Y4 – Children will learn about the UK and complete a study of Scotland

Key Knowledge

- There are four countries in the United Kingdom (UK): England, Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland.
- Great Britain (GB) is made up of Scotland, England, and Wales.
- The UK seas are the Irish Sea, North Sea, Atlantic Ocean, and the English Channel.
- There are 9 regions in England. The region we live in is Yorkshire and the Humber.
- There are 48 counties in England, and we live in the South Yorkshire.

Curriculum Drivers

Key skills: using symbols when reading and making maps, analyse population change

Heritage: being proud of being British

Subject Themes

Changes over time: History of Thurnscoe, effect of Hickleton Main Colliery closing in 1988

Year	Population of UK	Population of London	Population of Thurnscoe
2018	66.27 million	8.9 million	9029
2011	63.02 million	8.13 million	8687
2001	59 million	7.28 million	9122

Reasons population has increased and decreased: Illness, immigration, increased life expectancy, low birth rates, and modern health care and medicines.

Settlements can change due to new buildings, transport links, a large employer closing or opening and war.

Glossary

Atlas - book of maps

Capital city - the city where the government sits. London is the capital city of England and the UK.

City - a large town. London is a city.

Coasts - an area of land that is next to the sea.

Compass points - any of the main points of a compass: north, south, east, west, northeast, north-west, south-east, south-west.

Continent - a very large area of land that consists of many countries. Europe is a continent.

Country - an area of land that is controlled by its own government.

County – is a region of a place which has its own local government.

Population - all the people who live in a country or area.

Settlement – a place where people live.

Human features - features of land that have been impacted by human activity.

Mountain – a large landform that rises above the surrounding land in a limited area.

Physical features - natural features of land

Region – an area of land that has common features

River – a large natural stream of water that flows in a channel to the sea, lake or another river.



Teaching Guidance

- Name and locate the 7 continents.
- Locate the UK on a map and specifically Thurnscoe
- Label the countries and capital cities of the UK and use the 8 compass points to identify describe the location of each.
- Using a map find and name the surrounding seas of the UK.
- Identify the region and county we live in and what they both mean.
- Explain what a county is and find the local county on a map.
- Pinpoint key topographical features.
- Describe how the UK population has changed over time.
- Explain how the UK has changed over time in terms of land use.

