



Whitestone Infant School

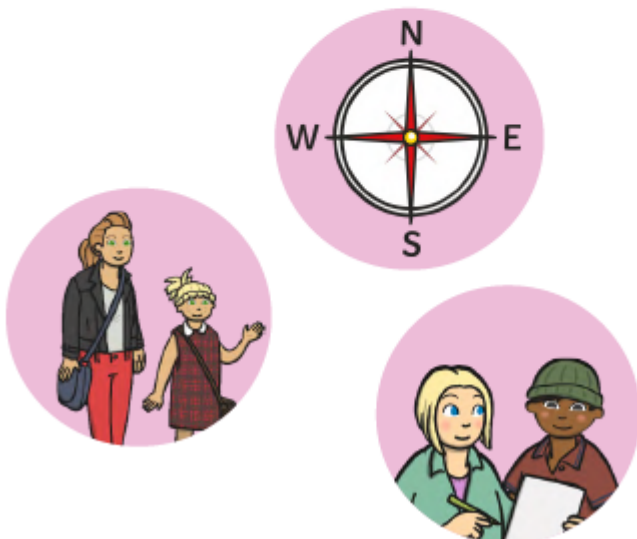
Year 1 Knowledge organiser in Geography



Our Local Area

Year 1

Key Vocabulary	
compass	A special tool that helps you know which direction you are facing.
direction	Where someone or something is pointing or moving.
fieldwork	Using maps to go out and about to get a practical understanding of something.



The Compass

A **compass** has four main **directions**, which are north, east, south and west. Part of the **compass** (the needle) will always point north. You then have to work out which **direction** you are facing depending on where north is.

Safely Exploring Your Local Area through Fieldwork

Be safe! Listen to instructions and follow what an adult is asking you to do.

Be aware of the roads. Keep to pavements at all times. Only cross roads when you are told to do so by an adult and stay with your partner.

Be polite. Move to one side of the pavement if other people are walking. Remember that you are setting an example to others when you are out and about.

Be observant. Follow any signposts that may be helpful on the walk.

Use your **map** to follow the route. See if you can spot any familiar **symbols**!

Look, listen and smell. Use your senses to observe the area.

Key Vocabulary		Houses	
map	A specially drawn picture of a place from above.	You might see lots of different types of houses in your local area. Some of these could be...	
symbol	A picture that represents a word or group of words. They are used on maps to make things clear and easy to find.	 houses/housing  detached  semi-detached  terraced	
house	A building that people live in	 cottage  bungalow  flats  caravan	
Buildings in the Local Area		Map Symbols	
Buildings in the local area could be used for lots of different things. Some of these could be...		To make it easier, maps use symbols instead of words so that you can find things quickly. Here are some symbols you might recognise.	
 school  offices  railway station		 parking  nature reserve  campsite  place of worship  motorway	
 country park  factory  hospital		 golf course  cycle trail  train station  footpath  main road	