



St. Michael Catholic Primary and Nursery School
Subject Overview
Subject: History and Geography
2026-2027



	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Term 1 and 2	Overarching theme: Marvellous Medway						
	Understanding the world:	Changes within living memory:		Local History Study:			
		Our school environment/Chatham Simple fieldwork (school/grounds) Human/Physical features of Chatham Devise a simple map Use basic geographical vocabulary for human/physical geography Use of fieldwork	Rochester Aerial photographs (recognise landmarks/basic human & physical features) Construct basic symbols for a map Use of fieldwork	Naval and Army barracks/Fort Amherst Human and physical geography Use of fieldwork	Rochester Castle/Historic Dockyard (Link to Romans but only their impact on Medway) Rochester Castle – Romans/Normans Human and physical geography Use of fieldwork	World War 2 Human and physical geography Locate the world's countries, focusing on Europe, including Russia Use of fieldwork Use the 8 points of a compass, four and six-figure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps) to build his/her knowledge of the United Kingdom and the wider world.	The River Medway Human and physical geography Use of fieldwork Use the 8 points of a compass, four and six-figure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps) to build his/her knowledge of the United Kingdom and the wider world.
		The UK Country names and capital cities Important landmarks Map work Surrounding oceans	Castles within Kent Significant individuals: Kings and Queens Compass directions Use basic geographical vocabulary for human/physical geography Use of fieldwork				
Term 3 and 4	Overarching theme: God's Endangered World						
	Understanding the world:	Events beyond living memory:		British history before 1066:			History beyond 1066:
		Transport within the UK and local area (Railways, Boats & Aeroplanes) Significant individuals: George Stephenson (transport) Asquith Xavier Use of maps Use of fieldwork Linking local area to the wider world	The Great Fire of London/The Great Fire of Chatham Use basic geographical vocabulary for human/physical geography Use of maps Use of fieldwork	Stone age to the Iron age Human and physical geography Use of fieldwork	The Romans Human and physical geography Use of fieldwork	Britain's settlement by the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings Human and physical geography Name and locate countries and cities of the United Kingdom, geographical regions and their identifying human and physical characteristics, key topographical features and land-use patterns; and understand how some of these aspects have changed over time Use of fieldwork	The Maya Hemispheres, Greenwich Mean time etc. Use of fieldwork



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Term 5 and 6	Overarching theme: Events that shaped the world						
	Understanding the world:	The lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national and international achievements:		The achievements of the earliest civilisations: an overview of where and when the first civilizations appeared and a depth study:		a non-European society that provides contrasts with British history:	
		Inventors, Explorers and Engineers - Isambard Kingdom Brunel - Neil Armstrong - Amy Johnson - Ibn Battuta Use atlas' world maps, and globes to identify countries of the world, continents and oceans. Use of fieldwork	Global warming Significant individuals: Greta Thunberg David Attenborough Geographical similarities and differences – human/physical geography comparing Kenya to Rochester Identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in UK/ hot and cold areas in relation to equator/poles. Use of fieldwork	Ancient Egypt Volcanoes Human and physical geography (cover rivers – focus on The Nile) Use of fieldwork	Ancient Greece Earthquakes Human and physical geography Understand geographical similarities and differences of human and physical geography of a region of the UK, a region in a European country (Greece), and a region within North or South America Countries within North and South America Use of fieldwork	Benin Human and physical geography Use of fieldwork Use the 8 points of a compass, four and six-figure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps) to build his/her knowledge of the United Kingdom and the wider world.	The Victorians Human and physical geography Use of fieldwork

History focus

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