



# Linked learning theme: Let's Explore

Spring term 1, Year 1

## Geography – Polar regions

### Prior knowledge

In EYFS, children have talked about how environments might vary, and have used stories and non-fiction texts to consider similarities and differences between places. In Autumn Y1, they have located where we are on a map.

### Core knowledge

- We live in Scarborough, in England, in the UK.
- London is the capital city of England.
- A compass shows us direction.
- The four compass directions are North, South, East and West.
- It's cold at the North pole and South pole.
- It's hot at the Equator.

### Key skills

- Locate Scarborough on a map (recap).
- Name and locate the four countries of the UK and London as the capital city of England.
- Recognise the four directions on a compass.
- Use simple compass directions (North, South, East, West) and locational and directional language (near, far, left, right) to describe locations and routes on a map.
- Use maps, atlases and globes to find our locality, the equator, Arctic and Antarctic.

### Vocabulary

north	sea	countries	equator
south	ocean	England	Antarctic
east	land	Wales	Arctic
west	far	Scotland	polar
direction	near	Northern Ireland	north pole
compass	left	capital city	south pole
	right		

### Learning outcomes

- I can name and locate the four countries of the UK.
- I can name and locate London, the capital city of England.
- I can use simple compass directions (North, South, East, West) and locational and directional language (near, far, left, right) to describe the location of places and routes on a map.
- I can identify hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator and the North and South Poles.
- I can use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the places studied.