



Linked learning theme: Wonderful World

Summer term 1, Year 4

Geography – Watery World

Prior knowledge

In KS1, children have learnt the names of continents and oceans and know that there are different environments around the world.

In Year 3, they have learnt about climate zones.

Core knowledge

- Location and names of continents and oceans on a world map.
- About 70% of the Earth's surface is covered by water.
- The longest river in the world is the river Nile.
- The largest river in the world is the Amazon river.
- The largest desert in the world is the Sahara desert.
- The driest desert in the world is the Atacama desert in South America.
- Global rainfall patterns, coupled with temperature, account for the broad distribution of biomes and vegetation belts.
- Biomes are different environments such as rainforest and desert.
- Hot deserts are found around the tropics of Cancer and Capricorn.
- Tropical rainforests are found around the equator.

Key skills

- Use atlases and globes to locate features studied.
- Interpret keys on rainfall and vegetation maps.
- Identify patterns on maps and make connections.

Vocabulary

continent	climate	vegetation	Equator
ocean	rainfall	desert	Tropic of Cancer
river	biome	rainforest	Tropic of Capricorn

Learning outcomes

- I can locate and name the continents on a world map.
- I can locate areas of desert and rainforest.
- I can identify the longest rivers in the world and the largest deserts.
- I can identify the position of the equator, tropic of Capricorn and tropic of Cancer and how these relate to the location of deserts and rainforests.