St Francis CEP School Geography Unit: The Geography of the UK Year group: Year 3

What should I already know?

- 7 continents and 5 oceans
- Types of human and physical characteristics.
- The UK is made up of England, N.Ireland, Scotland and Wales.
- England is a country in the UK. The capital city is London.
- Blackburn is a town in England.
- Blackburn is also a town in Lancashire.
- The compass points N, NE, E, SE, S, SW, W, NW.



What will I find out by the end of the unit?

- The UK is made up of 4 countries.
- It is surrounded by seas and oceans: The Atlantic, North Sea, Celtic Sea, Irish Sea and English Channel.
- The countries are divided into regions which are mostly points of the compass.
- Blackburn is in the NW region of England.
- Regions are split into smaller areas called counties.
- Blackburn is in the county of Lancashire.
- Lancashire is surrounded by Cumbria to the N, Merseyside and Greater Manchester to the S, West Yorkshire to the E and North Yorkshire to the NE.. The Irish Sea is to the W.
- Physical features of the UK

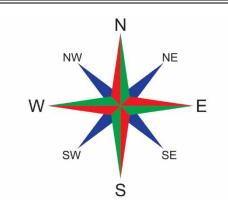
Beaches, coastline, rivers, mountains, forests, oceans, seas.

Human features of the UK

Settlements, harbours, ports.

There are different types of settlement:

City	Town
A city is the largest type of settlement, containing lots of buildings and lots of people. They usually have hospitals, sports facilities, universities, shops, offices, many houses and a cathedral.	A town is larger than a village, with lots of houses, primary and secondary schools, as well as sometimes having a railway station and shopping centre.
Village	Hamlet
A village is also small but may have houses, a primary school, a few shops, a Post Office and a village hall.	A hamlet is a very small settlement with just a group of houses.



Vocabulary	
region	large official areas into which a country is divided
county	how a country is divided up based on local government
border	a line separating counties
ocean/sea	a vast body of water
mountain	a raised part of the Earth's surface – bigger than a hill
river	natural wide flow of fresh water across the land into the sea
coastline	an area of land along the coast near to the sea
beach	an area of sand or small stones near the sea
harbour	a place on the coast where ships may moor
port	a town by the sea or river which has a harbour

Geography skills and fieldwork

- Use compass points to name regions of the UK.
- Locate counties of the UK and use compass points to name bordering counties.
- Recognise and name types of settlement.
- Name and locate mountain ranges Grampian, Pennines, North York Moors, Snowdonia, Beacon Beacons, Lake District.
- Name and locate rivers of the UK Thames, Ouse, Trent, Forth, Tyne, Severn.