

PREPARATION FOR CHANGES TO THE GEOGRAPHY NATIONAL CURRICULUM 2014

FOR EACH KEY STAGE YOU NEED TO KNOW:

1. What mapping resources do we have – globes, atlases, world maps UK maps, local maps 1: 1250 of local area, Borough maps, OS maps/extracts.
 - As we are in London add A-Z maps, Underground maps, local bus maps
 - Have you still copies of the testing maps for UK, Europe & World?
2. What local area work is done and in which year
3. What resource packs on localities/regions
4. What photograph packs
5. What stories are used
6. Is there information on studying 'Places in the News'
7. What topics are covered (if relevant) e.g. "Seaside in Year 1"
8. What visits are made that are focused on / include geography

FOR YOUR SCHEME OF WORK 2014-15 YOU WILL NEED TO KNOW

1. What cash is available (over several years). Geography is a resource-based subject and resources are needed
2. Do teachers like complete scheme or opportunities for choice/development as well as compulsory parts (to cover NC)
3. What advice the Geographical Association is giving – is your school a member?

REMEMBER THAT IF YOU HAVE BEEN DOING GEOGRAPHY WELL AS A SEPARATE OR INTEGRATED SUBJECT YOU WILL NEED TO MAKE RELATIVELY FEW CHANGES.

GOOD TEACHING AND LEARNING IS STILL NEEDED. THE CHANGES TO THE NC IN 2014 ARE FOCUSED ON CONTENT AND NOT ON TEACHING & LEARNING.

ASSESSMENT

This needs thinking about after the scheme is decided on. NC Maps (UK, Europe, World) are useful still for some locational knowledge.