



Year 1 - Summer - Geography Knowledge Organiser

What I already know...

In Year 1 we have learnt about the UK and the countries it is made of. In Spring Term we have zoomed in on our local area, Syston, developed our understanding of human and physical features and being able to use simple maps. This term we build on this knowledge and start to consider the place of the UK within the world.

Key Vocabulary

continent	A very large area of land that includes all the islands with it.
ocean	A large area of sea.
rainforest	A large area of land with lots of tall trees and plenty of rainfall.
capital city	An important city, often where the government works.
landmark	A feature on the landscape that can be easily recognized.
human features	A feature on the landscape that has been made or changed by humans.
physical features	A feature on the landscape that has been formed by nature.
climate	The usual weather conditions of an area.

What I will learn...

There are **seven continents**: Africa, Antarctica, Asia, Australasia, Europe, North America and South America.

The United Kingdom is in **Europe**.

Peru is a country in **South America**.

The **Amazon Rainforest** in South America and is the largest rainforest in the world.

The Amazon Rainforest is a home for many plants and animals including bears, jaguars, sloths and snakes.

London is the capital city of the UK.

The **River Thames** is an important landmark and physical feature that runs through London.

London has many other landmarks such as **Buckingham Palace**, the **London Eye**, and **Tower Bridge**.

Making a difference at home

The Amazon Rainforest is a precious habitat to so many plants and animals. Recycle paper and card after you use it to help reduce deforestation.



Making a difference at The Merton

Paddington, the much loved fictional bear created by Michael Bond, will lead us on many adventures in our learning this term. When he arrives at the Merton Primary School, with a sign saying "Please Look After this Bear" creates a curiosity within us about the wider world. We discover that Syston and the UK are very different to his home in the rainforest of Peru! We will locate Peru using globes and maps and plot his journey across the oceans to reach the UK and land in London and compare and contrast key physical and human features of these places. We go on to explore the human features of London and some of its landmarks using simple maps of London as well as that of the London Underground. We combine location knowledge with using information texts of these landmarks to create information posters and booklets for tourists and places that Paddington visits. Children will come to see the excitement and entertainment that London provides and debate whether this is more important the preserving our rainforests.

