

## KS2 Land of Hope & Glory (Geography)

### As geographers we will:

- Study the United Kingdom (UK)
- Study its main physical and human features
- Look at changes over time
- Explore similarities to and differences from other European countries
- Study one area (different to that studied in Key Stage1) in some depth

We will look at:

Human features, including:

- A reminder of the countries and capitals of the UK
- The major transport links between cities and the main ports and airports that link the UK to other countries
- Some of the UK's ancient castles and monasteries, exploring the geographical reasons why they were located as they are
- Some of the most recognisable buildings in the UK
- The differences between town and country – urban and rural, including land use and economic activity
- The effects of storms and floods in recent years, such as the Atlantic storms in Dawlish, Devon in 2014. The storms washed away the cliff, leaving a railway line dangling. We will investigate how engineers found solutions to the problems in record time

Physical features, including:

- The major mountains of Ben Nevis, Scafell Pike and Snowdon
- Some amazing places of beauty, such as the Lake District, the Giant's Causeway, the Needles, Portland Bill, the hills and valleys of Wales, the limestone caves of the Peak District and Loch Ness in Scotland
- The UK's longest and local rivers, including a study of the journey of a river from source to mouth
- Some of the UK's rugged and beautiful coastlines and find out how some of these

### As writers we will:

- Present information
- Write reports
- Create stories and other narratives based on the human and physical features we study
- Learn some classic poems from Europe, and write some new ones of our own

### As artists we will:

- Draw and paint images of the landscapes and cities we study
- Create sculptures
- Take inspiration from some of Europe's great artists over the centuries

### As mathematicians we will:

- Use statistics
- Calculate time
- Make calculations involving addition, subtraction, multiplication and division

features are formed

We will explore some of the changes that have taken place in the UK over time such as:

- The industrial past, such as railways, shipbuilding, coal and mineral mining and the textiles industry
- How disused industrial sites, like the Olympic park, have helped to regenerate these areas
- How the influence of the UK in the world over time led Edward Elgar to write a song called Land of Hope and Glory

We will compare aspects of the physical and human features of the United Kingdom with some other European countries we have studied. We will also compare and contrast the cultures and practices of these countries by looking at:

- Food
- Languages
- Governments and monarchies
- National days and festivals
- Weather and climate
- Major sporting events in which European countries compete

We will also explore the network of 53 independent countries called the Commonwealth.