

Geography Links to the Early Years Foundation Stage at Birdlip

The following table outlines some of the curriculum links that can be made between Geography and areas of learning within the Early Years Foundation Stage.

- These may include prerequisite skills that are necessary to the understanding of Geography.
- In the first term of school, children are encouraged to think about their place in the world, their families and their houses.
- Technology is frequently used in the classroom to help develop Geographical skills, such as using Google Earth and Street view on the interactive whiteboard and Ipads to look at the area of Birdlip and surrounding areas.
- The surrounding landscape, fields and local church often form part of our discussions of community and village life.
- Vocabulary that is linked to Geography is modelled and placed upon our 'word wall'

Reception	Understanding the World		• Draw information from a simple map. • Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries. • Explore the natural world around them. • Recognise some environments that are different to the one in which they live.
ELG	Understanding the World	People, Culture and Communities	• Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps. • Explain some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries, drawing on knowledge from stories, non-fiction texts and (when appropriate) maps.
		The Natural World	• Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class. • Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons.