



Year 3/4 Sporting Heroes

Within this topic we will be focusing on observation skills of the world around us, learning about the characteristics of physical, human, and environmental geography. Throughout this we will focus on how great sporting events integrate into the world, particularly the upcoming 2024 Paris Olympics. We will extend our observation skills to films, art, and literature to present our understanding of different representations of adapting to fictional environments. We will focus particularly on 'How to train your dragon' by Cressida Cowell to inspire us.

<p>Amazing facts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Olympics started in Ancient Greece in 776 BC, which is 2799 years ago! However, the modern Olympics that the rest of the world partakes in started in 1896 (127 years, still a long time!) There are 195 countries in the world and 206 nations. To compete in the Olympics, you need to represent a nation that is approved by the National Olympic Committee. The longest a tennis game in Wimbledon has lasted is 11 hours! What determination! 	<p>Tour de France</p> <p>Cycling for over 3600 km throughout France is the yearly goal of many aspiring cyclists.</p> <p>Teamwork and determination are needed to endure mountainous inclines, flat land, and sporadic weather.</p> 	<p>Living in the changing world</p> <p>With a growing population of over 8 billion humans, the world around us keeps changing.</p>  <p>Over long periods of time, more buildings are built around to provide food, shelter, and resources. This leads to areas of greater size like towns or cities. The more that is built however, the more likely the environment is to be harmed with pollution and deforestation.</p>	<p>Glossary</p> <p>Physical geography – the exploration of natural changes in landscapes and environments</p> <p>Environmental geography – the exploration of interactions between the natural world and humanity</p> <p>Human geography – the exploration of human culture, economy, and community</p> <p>Pollution – the introduction of harmful materials into the environment</p> <p>City – an inhabited space of greater size, population, or importance</p> <p>Population – the number of people in a particular space or place</p> <p>Tourism – the act of people travelling around the world for leisure and adventure.</p> <p>Athlete – a person who competes in sports that involve use of physical skill.</p> <p>Nation – a large group of people united by common history, culture, or language.</p> <p>Deforestation – the process of clearing a wide area of trees.</p> <p>Infrastructure - facilities needed to serve a country or community</p>
<p>Olympics</p> <p>The summer and winter Olympics occur once every 4 years, always taking place in a different country each time. To be chosen to host the Olympics, the country must have infrastructure prepared for the sports, and attractions ready to accommodate athletes and tourists.</p> 	<p>Wimbledon</p> <p>Wimbledon has been yearly tradition in Britain since 1877. Unlike other tennis tournaments, Wimbledon is the only one to be played on grass. Extreme care is taken by gardeners to keep the grass a specific length and the soil hard.</p> 	<p>Where is everything?</p> <p>Maps, atlases, and compasses help us to travel around the country we live in, as well as the rest of the world.</p>  <p>Features are labelled like roads, settlements, trees, and rivers. This helps identify what type of routes can be taken to navigate to a destination.</p>	