Year 2 Geography: Maps skills and the Local Area

Prior Learning

- Know that we live in the city of Derby, which is in England
- Know that the United Kingdom is made up of England, Scotland, Wales & Northern Ireland
- Know the four main directions on a compass are North; East, South and West.
- Know that symbols are used

Sticky Knowledge

- A map is a drawing of an actual place that uses lines and symbols to represent real-life objects.
- People have used maps for hundreds of years to help them travel from place to place.
- Key features of maps include: a title, a compass, symbols, a key
- and different colours for important things, such as blue for rivers
- When planning a journey using a map, people usually think about the quickest or safest route
- Maps can show physical features, as well as continents, countries and capital cities.

Vocabulary

Sketch map	A simple map with only basic details
Key	Helps us understand map symbols
Map symbol	A picture or sign used on a map that represents something else
Ordnance Survey	A survey organisation in the UK which prepares very detailed maps of the country
Route	A way of getting from a start point to a finish point.
Compass	A tool which shows people the direction they are travelling
Atlas	A collection of maps in one book.
Aerial view	A view from above, also known as a 'bird's-eye' view.
Landmark	A feature of the landscape or area that is easily recognised