



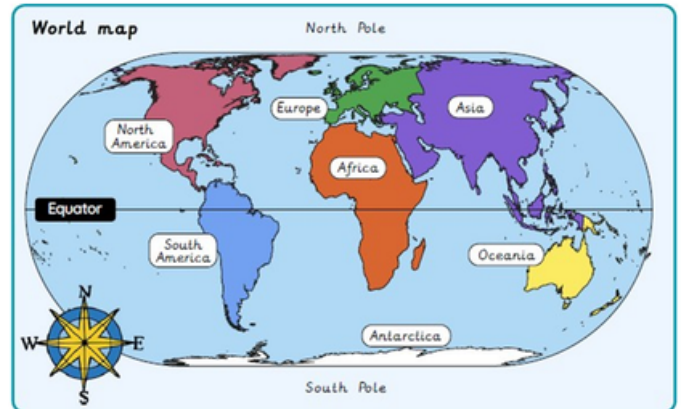
Year 2 knowledge organiser – autumn term (first half)



Geography – would you prefer to live in a hot or cold country?

Key facts:

- There are seven continents on planet Earth: Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Antarctica, Oceania and Europe.
- A continent is a large area of land.
- The earth has two poles – North Pole and South Pole. These are known as polar regions.
- South Pole is located in Antarctica, which is one of the driest and coldest places in the world.
- Many different animals can be found around the North Pole, including: walrus, seals, narwhals, beluga whales, snowy owls and Arctic terns. Polar bears are not often seen because the drifting ice is an unpredictable habitat.
- Around the middle of the planet is an imaginary line called the equator.



Key vocabulary:

- **arid** – little or no rain
- **climate** – long term weather conditions in a specific area
- **continent** – a large land mass
- **country** – a land or nation with its own government
- **ice sheet** – a layer of ice covering land for a long period of time
- **map** – a picture or a place that is drawn from above
- **ocean** – a large expanse of salt water
- **pack ice** – a mass of floating ice in the sea

North Pole



South Pole

