How and why has my local area changed?

Key Objective and rationale

In this topic, we will be focusing on our local environment- the school, Canterbury and Kent. We will be looking at how this has changed over the years and understand what causes these changes. This builds on learning from KS1 when we learnt about the human and physical features of our local area.

Important things I will know and understand

- Locate United Kingdom on a map.
- Locate a region within the United Kingdom.
- The difference between physical and human changes.
- How my school has changed over time.
- How my local area has changed over time.
- Understand different opinions on whether these changes are good or bad.
- How bigger changes are happening all over the world.
- How humans can make these changes happen.



Geographical techniques I will use to support my learning

Map work	Using maps to find information
Field work	Collecting data from outside
Statistical representation	Putting data into graphs
Imagery	Using google maps and digimaps in satellite and street view

Important vocabulary I will learn and use (Core)		
Local	Near to a certain neighbourhood or area.	Docal
Flooding	When land, which is normally dry, becomes covered in water.	Flooding
Population	All the people or the amount of people that live in a certain place.	Population
Development	An area of land with new buildings on it.	Development
NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administrations.	NASA
Kent	A county in the South East of England – the county we live in.	Kent
Pollution	Harmful substances or objects damaging the environment.	Pollution
Environment	The surroundings of where a person, plant or animal live.	Environment

Geographical thinking skills I will use		
Say what you see.		
Choosing the most		
important information.		
Making ideas without all		
the evidence.		
Bring information together		
to make an explanation.		
Understand how or why		
something happens.		
Understanding how others		
might act or feel.		

Geographical concepts		
Creation	Community	Compassion
Nation	Transport	Conservation
Country	Economic activity	
	Industry	
	Settlement	
	Leisure	
	Recreation	