Christ the Sower Ecumenical Primary School

GEOGRAPHY
Knowledge Organiser

Year 2 – Spring 1
Amazing Antarctica

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Year 2

Focus Question: What makes Antarctica such an extreme place?

Key Vocabulary

Antarctica	the continent around the South Pole
Arctic	the region around the North Pole
Pole	a northern or southern end of Earth
Equator	imaginary line around Earth's middle
Climate	typical weather over many years
Adaptation	a feature helping an animal survive
Conservation	protecting the environment

Key Learning

- Antarctica is a continent around the South Pole.
- The North Pole is in the Arctic Ocean.
- Antarctica is much colder, drier and windier than the UK.
- Summer has very long daylight; winter has long darkness.
- Penguins and seals have adaptations for cold conditions.

Geography in Action



World map

Find Antarctica near the South Pole.



Extreme cold

Dry, windy and very different from the UK.



Conservation

Countries cooperate to protect Antarctica.

Remember and Try

- Locate Antarctica and the poles on a map.
- Compare Antarctic weather with the UK.
- Explain why Antarctica needs protection.

End Point

I can locate Antarctica, describe its extreme climate and wildlife, and explain why the continent is protected.