ORIENTEERING PROGRESSION OF SKILLS YEARS 1-6

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
 Use and follow directional language (near and far, left and right, up and down, forwards and backwards). Describe the location of features and routes on a simple map. Devise a simple map and use basic symbols in a key. 	 Use and follow directional language (near and far, left and right, up and down, forwards and backwards). Use cardinal compass directions (N,S, E and W). Describe the location of features and routes on a simple map. Devise a simple map and use basic symbols in a key. 	 Use cardinal compass (N,S, E and W) to follow /give directions. Demonstrate understanding of a basic map. Understand the term 'orientate' or 'setting a map'. To learn the symbols used on an orienteering map. To develop running skills and agility for orienteering. To complete a string course. Complete a simple 'star' orienteering activity in pairs / groups. 	 Recognise features and symbols on a map. To be able to 'Set' the map or plan using the terrain or plan features. To be able to know where you are on your map/plan at all times and using thumbing. To punch the control card accurately, with the correct punch patterns in the corresponding numbered boxes on the card. Complete a star orienteering activity. Complete a short loop orienteering activity. To develop running skills and agility for orienteering. 	 Use the 8 points of a compass and four figure grid references. Develop expertise in the orienteering skills of orienteering a map, following a course and recognition of relevant map symbols. Demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between pacing and distance. Plan a short loop course for another pair to follow. Improve confidence in map reading and the transfer of information from map to ground. Apply skills of orienteering including thumbing the map, route choice and symbol recognition. Plan the most efficient route so the course is completed in the quickest time. 	 Use the 8 points of a compass, four and six figure grid references, symbols and key (including Ordnance Survey maps) Further develop navigational skills by planning ahead, identifying problems and making decisions. Learn to balance speed and accuracy. Practice and develop pacing skills. Set, read and follow a bearing. Be able to take a bearing from a map and use that bearing to find a control point. Combine map reading and compass skills. Measure the distance between control points and using the map scale, estimate the number of paces required to reach each control. Successfully undertake an orienteering competition and / or visit another site to practice orienteering in unfamiliar surroundings.