

# Year 2 – Let's Explore the UK!

Spring 2

## Key vocabulary

**capital city:** *the city where a country's government is, such as London or Edinburgh*

**country:** *an area of land that has its own government, such as the UK or France*

**population:** *number of people who live there*

## Sequence of learning:

What countries make up the United Kingdom and what are they like?

What are the capital cities of the UK?

What is the difference between the British Isles, Great Britain and United Kingdom?

Where have we visited in the United Kingdom?

Compare Pinvin to a UK city.



## Interesting facts:

The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland is in northern Europe. The UK is its shorter name.

The United Kingdom is made up of four smaller countries:

- England
- Scotland
- Wales
- Northern Ireland.

They each have their own flags.

Elizabeth II is the Queen of the UK and her official home is Buckingham Palace in London.

## KEY SKILLS

- Name, locate and identify characteristics of the 4 countries and capital cities of the UK.
- Use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical features and key human features.
- Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the UK and its countries.
- Use aerial photographs and plan perspectives to recognise landmarks and basic human and physical features
- Begin to use physical geographic vocabulary: town, city, countryside, village, moor, peak and lake

## Final outcome:

To have an afternoon tea/garden party and share our knowledge of the UK