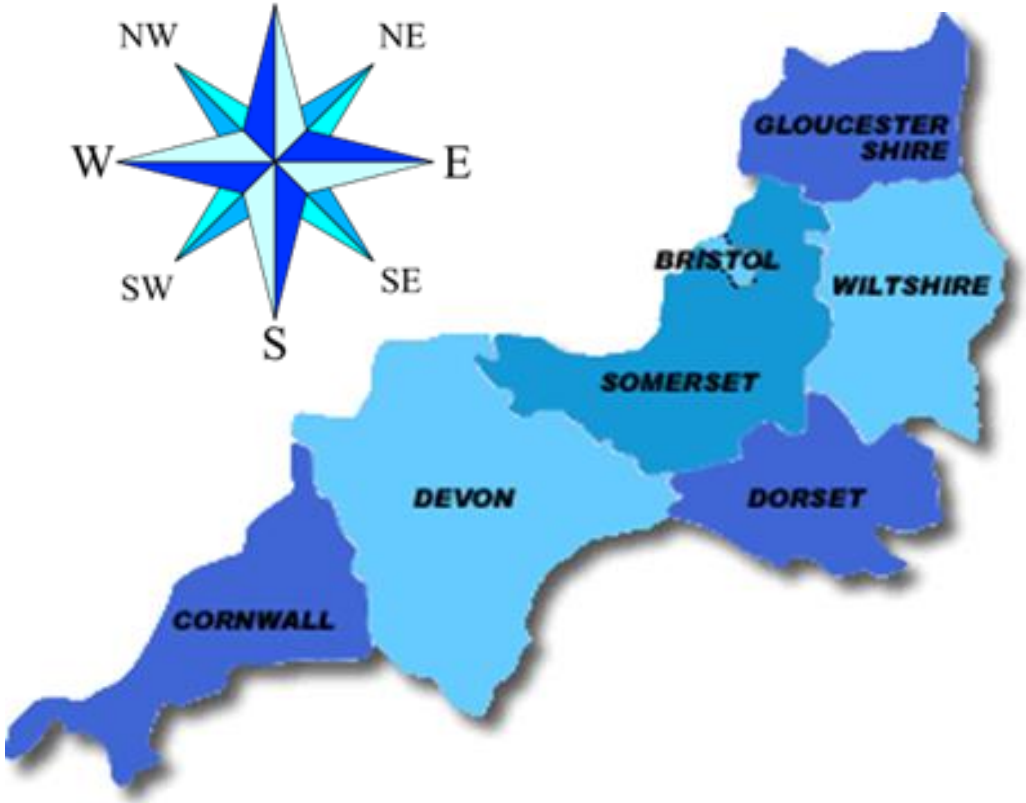
Come with us down to the beautiful West Country, to explore the counties of the South-West of England.



Remember, you can use your compass each week to see which way we are travelling.

Welcome to Gloucestershire!

The Festival of the Three Choirs is the world's oldest non-competitive music festival. It is based in the cathedrals of Gloucester, Hereford and Worcester and has been running for over 300 years.

Gloucester Cathedral is often used as a film or TV location, including being used for Hogwarts in the Harry Potter films.

Gloucester Cathedral was built in the English Gothic style, which was used mainly for cathedral building from about 1180 until about 1520. Famous English Gothic buildings include Westminster Abbey and the cathedrals of Lichfield, Durham, York Minster, Hereford, Exeter, Salisbury, Canterbury and more.

You could take English Gothic as your focus for this week. Ideas include:

- A pencil sketch of the façade of a famous Gothic cathedral
- Symmetrical patterns inspired by Gothic tracery (the detailed carvings)
- Printing patterns based on the carvings in the cathedral
- Gargoyles – make a hideous mask!

The beautiful Cotswolds are an ANOB, partly in Gloucestershire. They are a huge tourist draw, with peaceful, hidden valleys, idyllic villages and attractions such as farm or wildlife parks and the famous model village at Bourton-on-the-Water.

- Find out about butterflies and make a mobile of native species.
- Make a model inspired by Bourton – it could be of your street, Kings Norton Green, our school or somewhere special to you.