## Midfield Primary School – Knowledge Organiser



Geography Focus Asia (Japan) Year 6 Autumn 1

What? (Key Knowledge)	
Basic Facts	Continent: Asia Capital: Tokyo Population: Currency: Yen Language: Japanese
Flag	
Human Feature	Japan is a very urbanised country and are heavily invested in the development of technology
Physical Features	Japan sits on the subduction zone between two tectonic plates. As such it is prone to experiencing earthquakes and tsunamis. It is a very mountainous country, made up of many islands.
Climate	Japan experiences 4 distinct seasons with warm summers and cold winters. Climates vary between the East and West of the country.
Cultural	Whaling is it right or wrong? Nuclear power, useful or not?

What? (Key vocab)	
Spelling	Definition
Tsunami	A giant sea wave caused by a large earthquake or disturbance
Earthquake	The shifting of the Earth due to the movement of tectonic plates
Tectonic plates	Parts of the lithosphere of the Earth which float on and travel independently over the mantle
Whaling	The commercial hunting of whales
Nuclear Power	Electrical energy generated through a nuclear reactor.
Kawaii	'cute' 'lovable' culture in Japan, can relate to humans and non humans
Emperor	The head of state for the country. Similar to our queen.

## **Diagrams and Symbols**



## **Possible experiences**

Use atlases to explore the country, and identify key facts.

Be given photos of countries, items of food, artefacts etc. and reason if they link to UK or other country,

Complete graph work comparing climates of UK and other country.

Link to art, children to draw in a kawaii style.

Complete earthquake drills in the classroom..