# Welwyn St Mary's – Geography Knowledge Organiser

# **Year 2 Arctic Explorers**

Vocabulary				
Continents	A continent is a large solid area of land. Earth has seven continents.			
Artic	The Arctic regions are centered on the North Pole			
North Pole	The North Pole is the northern end of Earth's axis. The axis is an imaginary line through the center of Earth, around which the planet rotates.			
South Pole	The South Pole is the southern end of Earth's axis.			
Ocean	An ocean is a huge body of salt water. Oceans cover nearly 71% of Earth's surface.			
Sea	A great body of salty water that covers much of the Earth.			
Freeze	When water turns to ice			
Snow	Small white ice crystals			
Ice	Frozen water			
Iceberg	A largefloating mass of ice detached from a glacier			

## **Key Questions**

- What is a continent?
- · How many oceans are there?
- · Why is the Arctic so cold?
- What is the difference between the Arctic and Welwyn?
- What animals live in the Arctic?

# **Amazing Facts**

- The Arctic is located at the northernmost part of our planet.
- The temperature can go as low as -70°C.
- Despite the freezing-cold temperatures, approximately four million people call this wintery wonderland home!

## **Climate Change:**

Climate change (or global warming), is the process of our planet heating up.

- How can we prevent this from happening?
- How does climate change effect the animals?

#### Animals from the Artic

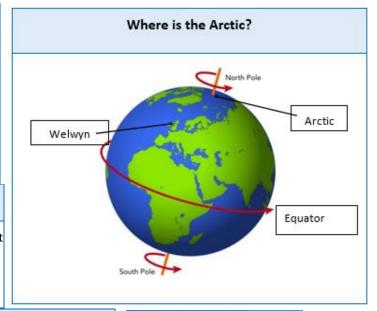














## Did you know...

Polar Bears and penguins do not live in the same pole.

Polar bears live in the North Pole (Arctic) and penguins live in the South Pole (Antarctic)