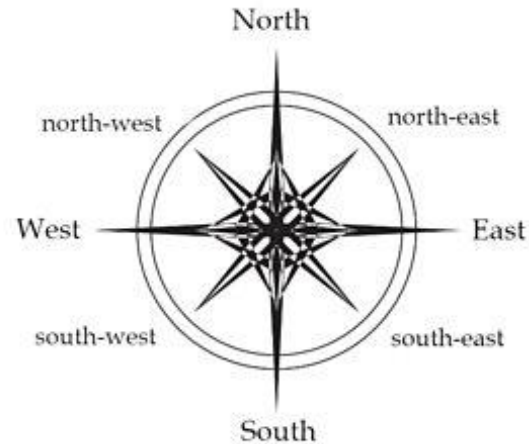


Lesson Focus – To know what a compass is and to use simple compass directions (North, South, East and West) as well as locational and directional language to describe a location.

To draw an aerial plan of a garden that includes a compass key as well as a key for human and physical features and the location of your time capsule.



Show your child this picture of a compass or if you have a real one, then please show that.

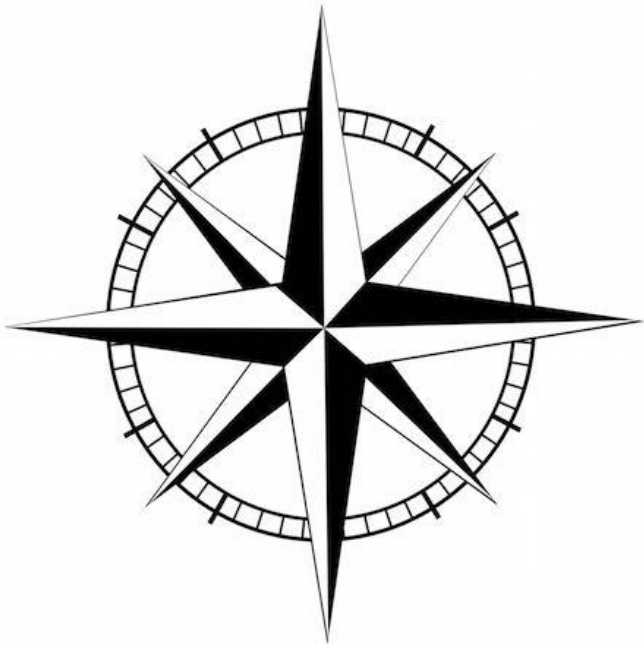
Explain to your child that this is a compass and they are used to navigate your way.

In class we would have been taking compasses outside so if you are able to do this please do. If not, please don't worry as we will hopefully get to do this when we are back in school.

Tell children the rhyme – Never Eat Shredded Wheat or Naughty Elephants Squirt Water as a way to remember the compass points.

Game - Write North, East, South and West on separate pieces of paper and place them (as in a compass) in four corners of a room or outside – if you can in the places that actually mark these directions in real life. When you call out North, they run to North, call out East and they run to East etc.

Activity – If you have a printer you can print out the compass picture shown below. If you don't have a printer your child can draw a simple compass. Ask your child to write labels to mark the directions on your compass.



Game – Have North, East, South and West from the previous activity placed in their positions. Ask your child to hide a teddy somewhere in the room and direct you from a starting point to find the teddy, using the positional and directional language of a compass.

E.g take 3 steps north, five steps west...

Then swap over.

Extension: you can add in the compass points northeast, southeast, southwest and northwest.

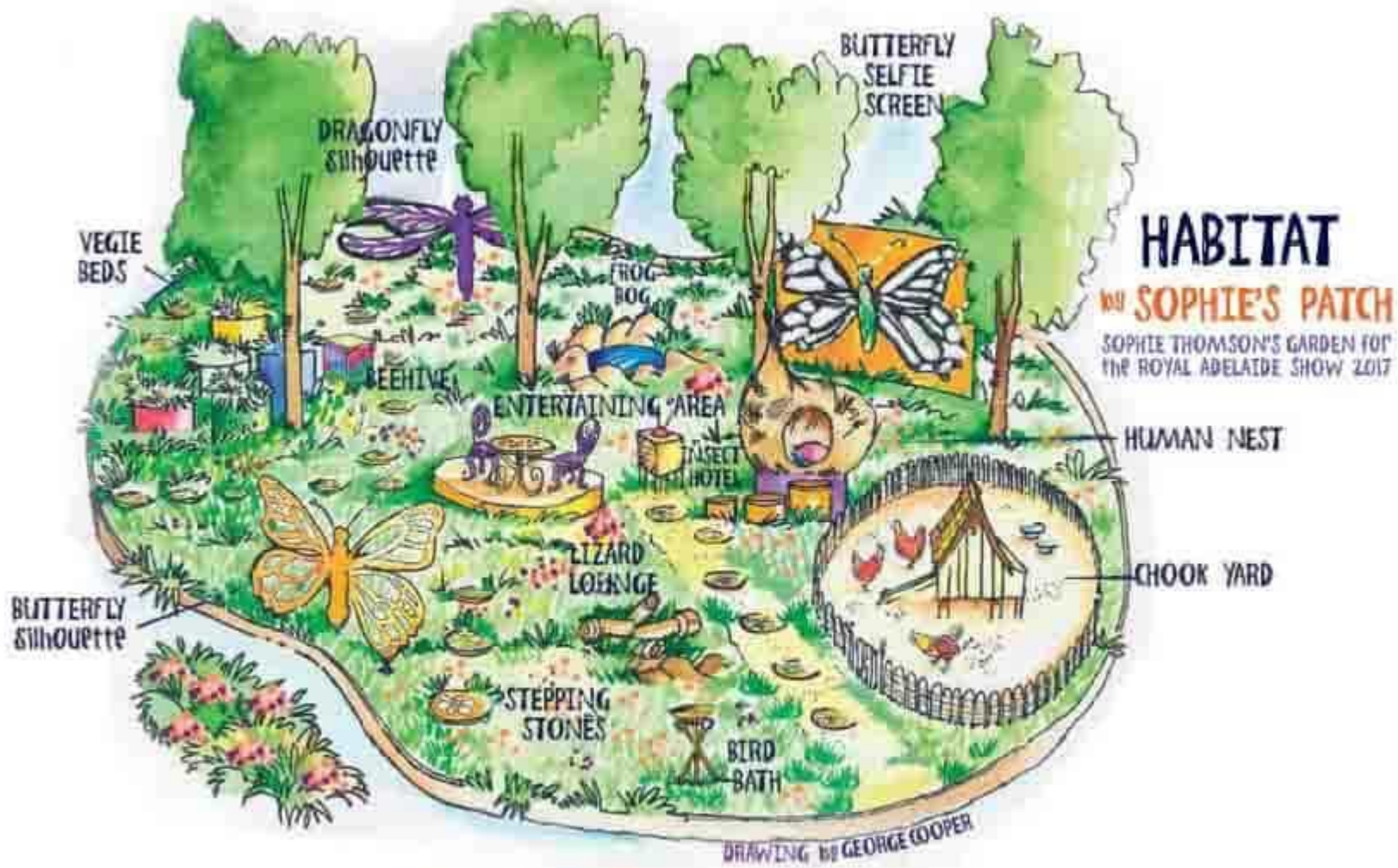
Your child might like to have a go at this online activity:

<https://www.ordnancesurvey.co.uk/mapzone/map-skills/compasses-and-directions/page-five>

Remind children of the map they created in the previous lesson and explain that in this lesson we are going to create an aerial plan of our garden. If you don't have a garden, this is your chance to get creative and plan the garden of your dreams!

Look at the following pictures of aerial plans of gardens. What features can they identify?

ACTIVITY: To draw an aerial map of a garden with a compass key as well as a key that shows human and physical features and the location of your time capsule.



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