

Digimap for Schools

Latest News

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Aerial Imagery now in Digimap for Schools

We are pleased to announce the addition of Aerial imagery to the service. You can now access seamless high-resolution imagery for the whole of Great Britain in two different formats. You can view just the Aerial image or you can use Aerial X and view the imagery with a place and road names overlaid. The images have been also rectified to fit perfectly with the current mapping, so you can easily view the map and image together. You can also overlay the imagery on the 1890s and 1950s map. Getmapping www.getmapping.com have generously donated the imagery for inclusion in Digimap for Schools.

Aerial



Aerial X



With the introduction of the imagery layer, the slider and layer selector has also been updated.

The new slider no longer shows the layer dates, it now has a dotted tab you need to click.




Once you click on the dotted tab, the new selector will be visible.



You can now select which two datasets you want to show by clicking on the buttons.

The layer you select on the right, will be the main layer on the screen. When you move the slider, the layer selected on the left will fade in.

Using the  tool and clicking on the screen will show the date the image was captured.



Steve Backshall visits Digimap for Schools winners

Our competition for primary schools attracted interest from hundreds of schools, but there could only be one winner. Steve chose the entry from Mengham Junior School on Hayling Island commenting that they had asked some very interesting questions.

He visited Mengham Junior School on 19 July, turning up at morning assembly to a rapturous welcome. Afterwards he took the winning class on a nature walk. View more about his visit here https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n_mp3o-Nk7k

There were also two runners-up, St John's Mead Church of England Primary School in Eastbourne and Kitebrook Preparatory School in Gloucestershire, who received signed books from Steve Backshall.

A big thank you to everyone who entered and to Steve Brace at the Royal Geographical Society who was our independent judge.

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Digimap for Schools training

There are a number of training sessions coming up in the Autumn term, take a look at the Digimap for schools blog to see when and where – <http://digimapforschools.blogs.edina.ac.uk/>

Alternatively if you think your staff could benefit from training session and you can get 15 teachers together, please contact us:
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In October, Ordnance Survey will be supporting National Map Reading Week to encourage everyone to improve their map reading skills! We will be creating a number of resources and running events for adults and children to help improve their skills. Check out the website for more details. www.os.uk/getoutside/guides/map-reading-week/