Geography Knowledge Organiser - Settlements – Year 3

Key Vocabulary	Definition
Settlements	A settlement is a place where people live. It can consist of a single house or a group of homes. Settlements can contain different types of housing, parkland, shops and factories.
Urban	An area where a large amount of people live near to each other. Urban areas have lots of buildings and roads.
Rural	The countryside.
Suburban	The outer parts of the city.
Population Density	The amount of people in a certain area.
Conurbation	A really big urban area is called a conurbation. A conurbation is when a city gets so big that it connects with other nearby towns and cities to form a huge urban area.

Urban	Rural

Types of Settlements:		
hamlet		A small settlement without a church.
village		A group of houses in the countryside, sometimes with a church and small shop.
town		A place where there are lots of houses and shops. A town may have a local council that makes decisions for the people who live there.
city		A city is a large urban area where lots of people live close to each other. There are often lots of shops and services in a city