



## Investigating Our Local Area

### Unit 1 – Where is our school?

To do these tasks you need to use the Internet website called **MapsDirect**.

- 1 Can you see your school on the map?  
If not, click on the *Postcode* button and type in the postcode of your school.
- 2 Is your school about in the centre of the screen?  
If not, click on *Pan*. Click and hold in the school and drag the school to the centre of the screen.
- 3 Is the number in the scale box on the bottom right 5000?  
If not click on the box below *Zoom to Scale*. Type 5000. Click on *Go*.
- 4 Write down three features you can see on the map.
- 5 Click on the box below *Zoom to Scale*. Type 2500. Click on *Go*.  
Does the school look bigger or smaller?
- 6 Click on the *Flood Fill* box. Click on the school to colour it.
- 7 Click on *Label*. Click near the school. Type a label 'My School'.
- 8 On plain paper draw your school in the middle and label it.
- 9 Sketch the roads.
- 10 Show where there are houses, fields, river etc.
- 11 Label other features shown on the map.
- 12 Add any other features and names you know.

