

Geography Curriculum Overview 2019-20

Year 5 Curriculum overview

Term	Main focus of teaching each term
Autumn 1	Map Skills Topic objective: to develop locational knowledge including basic map skills, fieldwork in the school grounds and the study of local, national and international maps.
Autumn 2	Assessment: Map skills test (A01, A02, A03, A04)
Spring 1	The United Kingdom Topic objective: to name and locate countries, regions, counties and cities of the United Kingdom and explore identifying human and physical characteristics. Assessment: TBC (A01, A02, A03, A04)
Spring 2	
Summer 1	The Water Cycle Topic objective: an extended topic covering issues related to water consumption in this country, how we get clean water in our homes and what happens to waste water here and in contrasting locations. Assessment: The Water cycle (AO2, A04, A05, A06, A07, A08)
Summer 2	

Year 6 Curriculum Overview

Term	Main focus of teaching each term
Autumn 1	<p>Rainforests</p> <p>Topic objective: an in- depth study of the rainforest ecosystem and the conflicts faced as a result of the developments taking place with particular reference to The Amazon.</p>
Autumn 2	<p>Assessment: The Rainforest (A01, AO2, A04, A06, A07, A08)</p>
Spring 1	<p>Rivers</p> <p>Topic Objective: a physical geography unit which considers how a river shapes its valley. We introduce pupils to subject- specific vocabulary as well as beginning the process of using staged diagrams to aid explanations.</p>
Spring 2	<p>Assessment: Rivers (A01, AO2, A04, A06, A07, A08)</p>
Summer 1	<p>A European region: Italy</p> <p>Topic objective: to describe and understand the key aspects of the human and physical geography in a region in a European country.</p> <p>Assessment: Italy (A01, A02, A03, A04, A06, A07)</p>
Summer 2	

Year 7 Curriculum overview

Term	Main focus of teaching each term
Autumn 1	<p>Maps & map skills</p> <p>Topic objective: an in- depth study of OS maps and atlases. Pupils learn how to use a range of mapping tools effectively. They will be introduced to longitude and latitude and GIS.</p> <p>Assessment: KS3 map skills test (A01, A02, A03, A04).</p>
Autumn 2	
Spring 1	<p>Africa: a continent of contrasts</p> <p>Topic objective: to investigate the complex social, political and economic issues faced by varying African countries, in order to gain a deeper insight into 21st century Africa.</p> <p>Assessment: TBC- hopefully about population.</p>
Spring 2	
Summer 1	<p>The Sea</p> <p>Topic objective: to develop knowledge of key processes in coastal environments and the advance of coastal erosion on populated coastlines. Students will study a range of coastal protection methods and evaluate the most appropriate defence for a UK location.</p>
Summer 2	

Year 8 Curriculum overview

Term	Main focus of teaching each term
Autumn 1	<p>Tectonics and Rocks (and use of natural resources)</p> <p>Topic objective: to understand, through the use of detailed place-based exemplars at a variety of scales, the key processes in physical geography relating to: plate tectonics and rocks. The rock cycle and how weathering takes place.</p>
Autumn 2	<p>Assessment: Tectonics test</p>
Spring 1	<p>The Rise and Rise of China</p> <p>Topic objective: an introduction to this complex and rapidly developing country which contrasts with both the lives of young people in the UK and other countries they have studied in geography.</p>
Spring 2	<p>Assessment: China's developing GDP (A01, A02, A03, A04 A05).</p>
Summer 1	<p>Weather and climate change</p> <p>Topic objectives: to investigate ways in which we measure and predict the weather; exploring how such physical processes can affect people's lives.</p> <p>Assessment: Weather and climate hazards test</p>
Summer 2	