

Curriculum Map

Subject: GEOGRAPHY

Year Group: 8

Time Period	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Content	Globalisation and Superpowers: Students will learn about the big idea of globalisation by exploring their own connections to the rest of the world, investigating the fashion industry and looking at what countries are superpowers.Oceans: Students will investigate the importance of ocean, how humans interact with them and the threats they face, before looking at the idea of a global commons and contested oceans around the world.	Sustainability and Climate Change: Students will investigate the threats to the environment, looking at two main key themes of biodiversity and climate change and how these big problems can be managed. Development: Students will look at how the world's wealth is shared and what impacts people's quality of life, before looking at if it is possible to escape poverty through trade or other means.	 Africa: Pupils will study the continent of Africa in the context of Human and Physical Geography, including: Africa's location and climate and ecosystems Africa's population Africa's links with the rest of the world By the end of the topic pupils will be able to describe the different regions of Africa and the climates, describe the population distribution in Africa and will be beginning to evaluate the role of China in Africa.
Skills	 Describing, explaining, evaluating, predicting Using an atlas Interpreting data Reading and comprehension 	 Describing, explaining, evaluating, predicting Using an atlas Interpreting data and discussion Reading and comprehension Problem solving 	 Analysis Summarising Evaluation Describe Explain
Key Questions	 What are my global connections? Is globalisation a good thing? Why are the oceans important? What does the future hold for our oceans? 	 What are the biggest threats facing our planet? How can these threats be managed? Why is the world so unequal? How can we improve the quality of life for some people? 	 Is Africa blessed or cursed by its geography? What are the different biomes like in Africa? How are animals adapted to live in Africa? How are China and Africa connected?

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Assessment week and contentFormal assessment: 	 change Paragraph on factors that lindevelopment Pre-release end of year test of development of tropical rainforests in Peru 	 Tourism and Africa leaflet or poster Tourism and Africa leaflet or poster Africa development essay Informal assessment: Exam style questions and recall tests will take place throughout the term in line with marking policy expectations.
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