

GEOGRAPHY : CURRICULUM OVERVIEW 2025 - 2026



KS1						
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 1	<p>Living in cities</p> <p><i>Case Study: Preston Contrasting small area in London</i></p> <p>Disciplinary focus: diversity.</p>	<p>Living in the countryside</p> <p><i>Case study: Local area: Chipping & Beacon Fell</i></p> <p><i>Contrasting small area in countryside: Norfolk Broads/ East Anglia</i></p> <p>Disciplinary focus: diversity.</p>	<p>The seasons change</p> <p><i>Case study: local area</i></p> <p><i>Contrasting case study of small area in a non- European country: Africa/Asia</i></p> <p>Disciplinary focus: change.</p>	<p>Where are we?</p> <p>UK map revisit and extend (seas, oceans), capital cities</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: location and graphicacy.</p>	<p>Working hard</p> <p>What is work? (broad definition– paid and unpaid)</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: fieldwork.</p>	<p>Living by the sea</p> <p><i>Case study: Fleetwood Contrasting case study of a small area on the coast in UK or overseas: Whitby</i></p> <p>Disciplinary focus: diversity.</p>
Year 2	<p>Living in the mountains</p> <p><i>Keswick Contrasting Case study: small mountainous area in a non-European country</i></p> <p>Disciplinary focus: diversity.</p>	<p>Nature all around us</p> <p><i>Case study: small area in a non-European country</i></p> <p>Disciplinary focus: interaction (physical- physical)</p>	<p>Visiting new places</p> <p><i>Case Study: visit to another country</i></p> <p>Disciplinary focus: diversity.</p>	<p>Weather in our world</p> <p><i>Case study: small area in a non-European country</i></p> <p>Disciplinary focus: diversity.</p>	<p>Looking after our world</p> <p><i>Interaction (human- physical)</i></p> <p>Disciplinary focus: interaction (human- physical)</p>	<p>Changing our world</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: change.</p>

KS2						
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Year 3	<p>Rivers</p> <p>Depth focus: River Indus Geographical skills: Using photographs</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: interaction. How do rivers, people and land affect each other?</p>	<p>Mountains</p> <p>Geographical skills: Describing location using 4-point compass</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: interaction. How do mountains and people affect each other?</p>	<p>Settlements & cities</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: diversity. How are settlements similar and different?</p>	<p>Agriculture</p> <p>Geographical skills: Optional local fieldwork on local shops - their sourcing, economic and ethical considerations.</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: interaction. How are we connected to farmers?</p>	<p>Volcanoes</p> <p>Geographical skills: Using diagrams, describing distribution</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: interaction. How do volcanoes affect a place?</p>	<p>Climates & Biomes</p> <p>Geographical skills: World map and key lines of latitude</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: interaction. How does the climate affect the way people live?</p>
Year 4	<p>Rhine & Mediterranean</p> <p>Geographical skills: Extending use of maps and photographs</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: diversity. How are different parts of the Rhine and the Mediterranean used by people?</p>	<p>Population</p> <p>Geographical skills: Thematic maps and using census data</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: diversity. How and why does population distribution vary across Great Britain?</p>	<p>Coastal process & landforms</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: interaction. How does the location of west Wales affect its coast?</p>	<p>Tourism</p> <p>Geographical skills: Interpreting climate data</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: interaction. How do tourists interact with a place?</p>	<p>Earthquakes</p> <p>Geographical skills: Thematic maps</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: interaction. How do earthquakes affect people and environments?</p>	<p>Deserts</p> <p>Geographical skills: Interpreting thematic maps and satellite photographs</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: diversity, Why are deserts located where they are?</p>
Year 5	<p>Why is California so thirsty?</p> <p>Geographical skills: Interpreting a range of thematic maps</p>	<p>Oceans</p> <p>Geographical skills: Interpreting world and thematic maps</p>	<p>Migration</p> <p>Geographical skills: Asking questions, eight-point compass</p>	<p>North & South America</p> <p>Geographical skills: 4-figure references, thematic maps</p>	<p>The Amazon</p> <p>Geographical skills: Flow diagrams, interpreting satellite photos.</p>	<p>Interconnected Amazon</p> <p>Geographical skills: Interpreting and drawing bar graphs, simple enquiry process, questionnaire</p>

	<p>Disciplinary focus: change. How have the actions of people affected the drought in California</p>	<p>Disciplinary focus: change. How can oceans affect human behaviour and settlements?</p>	<p>Disciplinary focus: change. Why do people migrate?</p>	<p>Disciplinary focus: diversity. What are the pros and cons of living in a megacity?</p>	<p>Disciplinary focus: interaction and change. In what ways does the geography of South America affect life in the Amazon?</p>	<p>Disciplinary focus: interaction and change. How does agriculture in the Amazon interact with other parts of the world?</p>
Year 6	<p>Energy & Climate Change</p> <p>Geographical skills focus: Interpreting line graphs</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: Interaction. How do local actions in the UK affect global climate?</p>	<p>Ethiopia</p> <p>Geographical skills focus: Population pyramids, longitude and time zones</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: Interaction. How do global changes affect local places in Ethiopia?</p>	<p>Changing Birmingham</p> <p>Geographical skills: Interpretation and presentation of data</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: change. How much did Birmingham change between 1750 and the present day?</p>	<p>Jamaica</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: change. What is a preferable future for Jamaica's tourist industry?</p>	<p>Local area enquiry</p> <p>How do geographers find out about a place?</p> <p>Geographical skills: Ordnance survey maps, 6-figure grid references, enquiry process, local-area fieldwork</p> <p>Disciplinary focus: How geographers investigate a place. Enquiry question to be tailored to the local context and interests of the class.</p>	