

GEOGRAPHY Year group 7

Description	Why this?	Why now?
What is geography?	Pupils have come from a range of primary schools with different experiences of geography.	Introduction to geography at John Ruskin School. Basic concepts of physical and human geography, identifying features in the landscape and the theory of maps and place
OS Mapwork Skills Cumbria Map/Features of our local area Journey to School	Essential geographical skills. Enables students to understand their local geography and sense of place. Introduction to Digimaps.	Maps are integral to all studies in geography. Local context to providing building blocks for further knowledge.
Christmas		
Cumbria - Our Location The Glaciated Lake District , National Parks	Enables students to understand their local geography, builds a sense of place.	Introduction to new topics of glaciation and national parks to generate interest and enquiry based learning.
Settlement - Why do settlements grow? Local study of Coniston. Coppermines Valley Field trip. Field sketching Urban/rural areas Contrasting settlement in London and India	Geographical terminology important for future study. Link with year 7 history local study. Field Trip to inspire learning. Widen horizons and cultural understanding.	Build on map skills. Start local and move to global scale. Introduction to fieldwork with Coppermines trip. Idea introduced of change over time.
Easter		
British Isles Map and political geography of our country.	National context for sense of place. Use of UK relief and political maps. Increase knowledge of place location.	Essential for further geographical study.

<p>Arctic/Antarctica/Russia – Amazing places in geography. Extreme polar environment.</p>	<p>Links to further study of extreme environments. Stimulate 'love of learning' and research/independent learning.</p>	<p>Fun topic for end of year. Apply skills learned to a different place. Flexibility/choice potential.</p>
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