

GEOGRAPHY Year group 8

Description	Why this?	Why now?
<p>Rocks and limestone landscapes. Weathering and erosion processes - Coasts</p> <p>Field work – Limestone Ingleborough caves</p>	<p>Builds basic knowledge of geology. Building blocks for future study of physical landscapes (rivers and coasts at GCSE). Key geomorphological process introduced.</p> <p>Contrasting landscape to Cumbria.</p>	<p>Interesting topic to start year 8.</p> <p>Developing fieldwork skills. Applying knowledge of processes to the landscape. Revision of map skills.</p>
<p>Population and migration</p> <p>Russia - population density Middle East - Syria refugee migration EU migration</p>	<p>Building map knowledge of Middle East, EU and wider world. Wider continental context for population. Cultural capital and ongoing change through migration. British values and links to citizenship. Political geography - refugees, EU</p>	<p>Progression from Cumbria and UK map. Key vocabulary related to population and migration. Current political geography and opportunities for discussion.</p>
<p>Christmas</p>		
<p>Globalisation of goods and service</p> <p>Retail survey and mapping land use fieldwork - Coniston</p>	<p>Global citizenship. Learning that trade and products in our lives all have links to the wider world.</p> <p>Further developing fieldwork techniques with land use mapping and questionnaires.</p>	<p>Concept of trade introduced before development study in year 9.</p> <p>Further development of fieldwork techniques.</p>
<p>Weather and climate (Climate graphs, types of rainfall, depressions, microclimates, climate change) Climate graphs</p>	<p>Knowledge of climates prior to ecosystems work. Develops local knowledge of our climate.</p> <p>Topical global understanding of issues such as climate change.</p>	<p>Increased level of climate study to prepare for GCSE course.</p>
<p>Easter</p>		

<p>Investigating Ecosystems with place reference to Africa. Africa Map Africa -Congo (TRF) Sahara Desert Kenya - Grasslands</p>	<p>Develop wider world understanding of different ecosystems.</p>	<p>Ecosystems is a large unit on the GCSE course so good to have basic concepts introduced. Concept of case-studies.</p>
<p>Energy and natural resources. Middle East - water resources and conflict</p>	<p>Importance of sustainability and renewable resources. Knowledge of Middle East environment.</p>	<p>Introduction of sustainability and resource management prior to GCSE course.</p>