



Geography Medium Term Knowledge Pathway

	Key Enquiry Question for Unit for work	Learning Focus 1	Learning Focus 2	Learning Focus 3	Learning Focus 4	Learning Focus 5	Learning focus 6
Year 1	What is my local area like?	What is it like where I live?	What are some common map symbols?	What methods can be used to carry out fieldwork and effectively gather information?	How can compass points be used to navigate from one place to another?	How has our school changed over time?	** Year 1 also learn about the seasons through the year and within their science unit of work.
	Where do I live in the world?	Where can the UK be found in the world?	What are the countries and capitals of the UK?	What are the countries and capitals of the UK like?	Mapping – Lesson 1 What are maps?	Revisit Key Knowledge.	
Year 2	What are the world's continents and oceans, and how are they different from each other?	How can we name and locate the seven continents of the world?	What are the five oceans of the world, and where can we find them on a map?	Where are the hot and cold areas of the world, and what	How can we use compass points to help us find our way?	How is a beach in the UK similar to or different from a beach	Revisit continents and oceans.





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				makes them different?		in the Caribbean?		
	How can we use maps to find our way?	How can use compass points to navigate a map ?	What is an aerial photograph?	How can we use our observational skills to explore and understand our school's surroundings?	How can we a simple map ?	How can we design a map that shows human features like buildings, roads, and landmarks?	How can we create a 3D map?	
	*Additional re-visit session during term where Geography isn't taught.	Revisit continents and oceans – can they be located?						
Year 3	What are the key features of The United Kingdom?	Mapping - Lesson 3 – What are the 8 points of a compass?	How can we identify and locate the counties of the United Kingdom on a map?	What towns and cities can be found across the UK?	What hills and mountains are located in the UK?	What are the seas and coasts of the UK like?	Revisit key knowledge	





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	How do plants from different parts of the world survive in their unique environments?	Mapping – (Continents and oceans review) What are the climate zones in the world?	What different plants can be located around the world.?	How do plants adapt to survive to their environment?	Why are plants important for humans?	What is a mega-diverse country and what plants can be found there?	Revisit key knowledge
	How do rivers shape the land and affect the way people live around them?	What is the water cycle?	How do rivers erode, transport and deposit materials?	Why are rivers important?	What causes river pollution and what effect does it have on the environment?	What environmental and landscape features can we uncover through a detailed investigation of the River Severn?	Revisit key knowledge
Year 4	Why do people visit different parts of Europe, and what makes each place special?	Mapping - Lesson 4 – How do we use	Where is Europe located and what countries does it contain?	What are some of the features of	What are the key capitals cities of Europe?	How does a European city compare to London?.	Revisit key knowledge





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		<p>ordination survey maps?</p>		<p>European countries?</p>			
	<p>Why do people chose to live near a volcano?</p>	<p>What is a volcano is and where are they are found in the world?</p>	<p>What happens when a volcano erupts?</p>	<p>What are the different types of volcanoes?</p>	<p>What is the impact of tectonic plates and the ring of fire?</p>	<p>Why do people live by volcanoes?</p>	<p>Revisit key knowledge</p>
	<p>Why are rainforests important, and what would happen if they disappeared?</p>	<p>What is a rainforests are and where can they be found?</p>	<p>What is the climate like in the rainforest?</p>	<p>What are the features of the layers of the rainforest?</p>	<p>Who lives in the rainforest and what is their life like?</p>	<p>What is the impact of deforestation?</p>	<p>Revisit key knowledge</p>
<p>Year 5</p>	<p>How do the landscapes, climates, and ways of life vary across different parts of North America?</p>	<p>What are the countries of North America, and how can we</p>	<p>How do climates vary across North America, and what factors influence these differences?</p>	<p>What geographical features can we find in North</p>	<p>What are the capital cities of North American countries,</p>	<p>How do the time zones in North America differ, and how do</p>	<p>Map skills – Lesson 5– How do we use contour lines?</p>





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		identify them on a map?		America or the USA, and how do they shape the land?	and what makes each one unique?	they compare with other parts of the world?	
Why do people choose to build settlements in certain places?	What did early settlers need to survive, and how do place names tell us about the past?	What types of settlements exist, and how do they grow and change over time?	How can we use maps and symbols to understand different types of settlements?	How do grid references help us investigate where settlements are located?	What should we think about when planning a new settlement, and why?	How can we design and create a map that shows the features of a settlement?	
How do natural processes and extreme events shape our planet and affect the people who live on it?	What is the Earth's climate like, and where do we find areas with extreme temperatures?	How does the water cycle work, and how is water distributed across the world?	What types of extreme weather occur around the world, and what causes them?	What impact do volcanoes and earthquakes have on humans? *revisit rom Y4.	How do tsunamis form, and what impact do they have?	.Revisit key knowledge	





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Year 6	How does South America's geography, climate, and culture reveal the continent's diversity and global significance?	Mapping – Lesson 6 – How do we use 6 figure grid references?	Where is South America located, and what countries are part of it?	What is the climate like across different parts of South America?	What are the major mountain ranges in South America, and where are they found?	What are the key features of human geography in South America?	What kinds of trade and industry are important in South America, and how do they affect its economy?
	How does studying our local area's geography help us understand how people live, work, and interact with the environment?	What can we learn about settlements by studying our local area?	How does land use look like in our local area, and why?	What types of economic activity take place in our local area, and what	What are the climate zones in the United Kingdom, and how does our local area fit in?	What role do rivers play in shaping the landscape and supporting life?	What do mountains and hills in our local area tell us about its geography





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				influences them?			and history?
	How do people around the world use natural resources, and what can we learn from Britain's role in producing and using them?	How are Britain's natural resources used?	How are natural resources are used to produce energy?	How are renewable resources used to produce electricity, and what are the pros and cons of their use?	Where in the world is wood produced, and what are some of the problems associated with its production?	Where and how are glass and concrete produced in Britain using natural resources?	Mapping





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