Year 8 Geography

Intent

Students will continue to build on their disciplinary and substantive knowledge through year 8. In Year 8 the geography curriculum builds upon aspects of location, place, and human and physical knowledge introduced in Year 7, continuing to put social and physical processes within these contexts with a variety of case studies that empower students to gain insight into the bigger picture of key geographical issues.

HALF TERM 1: Tectonic Hazards

STUDENTS MUST KNOW;

- Types of Hazards
- Structure of the Earth
- Evidence for the Theory of Continental Drift
- Types of Tectonic Plates
- How earthquakes are created
- Strategies to predict, protect and prepare against earthquakes

HOW THIS WILL BE ASSESSED:

Low-stake quizzing, retrieval practice, questioning and knowledge assessments will incorporate understanding and lead to skills- based questions.

HALF TERM 2: Tectonic Hazards

STUDENTS MUST KNOW:

- The types of impacts from earthquakes
- A case study to explore vulnerability and impacts of Haiti in 2010
- Types of volcano
- Hazards created by volcanoes
- An example of a volcanic disaster at a local scale The Armero Tragedy
- How volcanoes can create impacts at a global scale Iceland 2010

HOW THIS WILL BE ASSESSED:

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HALF TERM 3: Russia

STUDENTS MUST KNOW:

- Key knowledge about Russia as the largest country on Earth and its historical development
- Russia's physical and human geography
- The key biomes of Russia
- Lake Baikal as an important natural wonder

HOW THIS WILL BE ASSESSED:

Low-stake quizzing, retrieval practice, questioning and knowledge assessments will incorporate understanding and lead to skills-based questions.

HALF TERM 4: Russia

STUDENTS MUST KNOW:

- The importance of Russia's natural resources with particular focus on oil and gas and Europe's dependency
- How Russia's resources create environmental and social problems as local, national and global scales
- Events that happened at Chernobyl
- Reasons behind the conflict in Ukraine
- Why is the Arctic region important for Russia

HOW THIS WILL BE ASSESSED:

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HALF TERM 5: Urban World

STUDENTS MUST KNOW:

- The process of urbanisation
- Rural to Urban Migration
- Employment Sectors
- Why manufacturing is important for economies
- Why water is an important resource
- Why food is an importance resource
- How waste is managed

HOW THIS WILL BE ASSESSED:

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HALF TERM 6: Urban World

STUDENTS MUST KNOW:

- A case study of a large urban area Bangalore
- The process of globalisation
- Why trade is important
- The significance of a global trade network
- Trans-National Corporations
- The role of sweatshops in global trade

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Home learning: