

Curriculum Plan: Geography

"Geography is an earthly subject, but a heavenly science" - Edmund Burke

Our intent

Geography is a diverse subject that arms students with powerful knowledge and provides them with new methods and tools which help them to understand and analyse the world around them.

Geography at Woodhouse Academy inspires in pupils a curiosity and fascination about the world and its people that will remain with them for the rest of their lives. We equip pupils with knowledge about diverse places, people, resources and natural and human environments, together with an understanding of the Earth's key physical and human processes.

Throughout their time at Woodhouse Academy, pupils will develop their contextual knowledge. They will enhance their understanding of both human and physical processes, and the links between them, using a variety of methods and multitudinous sources of geographical information.

Enrichment in Geography

Whilst learning geography at Woodhouse Academy students are provided with many cross curricular links with history, science, maths, English, RE and art.

At Woodhouse Academy there are many opportunities for enrichment. During the map skills topic in year 5 students are encouraged to apply their skills and understanding to real life situations including navigating around the school. As part of the water cycle topic covered in the year 5 summer term students are provided with an opportunity to visit the local sewage works. This allows students to consolidate their understanding of the water cycle and provides an incredible opportunity to enhance their learning.

In year 7, during the weather and climate topic, pupils have the chance to use weather monitoring equipment like thermometers and anemometers on the school grounds allowing them to put theory into practice. As well as this, the Africa topic includes a depth-study of Sierra Leone, which is home to its very own 'Woodhouse Academy' that our pupils fundraised to build in conjunction with the charity, *Street Child*.



Year 5 Curriculum Plan: Geography

Autumn 1

Autumn 2

Spring 1

Spring 2

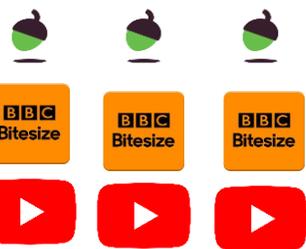
Summer 1

Summer 2

Maps

Key elements:

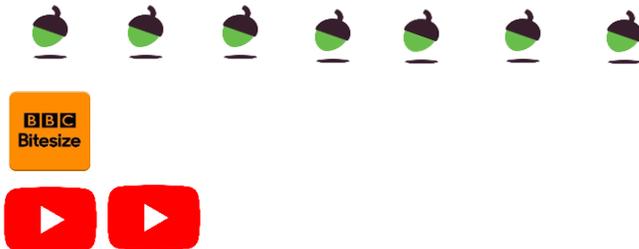
- Different types of maps
- Using compass points
- 4-figure grid references
- National maps
- International maps



The UK

Key elements:

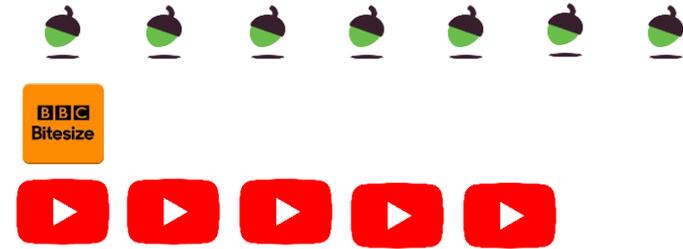
- Countries of the UK
- Cities of the UK
- Physical features of the UK
- Human features of the UK
- The UK's climate



Water and Rivers

Key elements:

- The water cycle
- Water and its uses
- The formation and journey of rivers
- A rivers features
- Flooding



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Year 6 Curriculum Plan: Geography

Autumn 1

Autumn 2

Spring 1

Spring 2

Summer 1

Summer 2

Mapping Skills

Key elements:

- 4 and 6 figure grid references
- Distance and scale
- Using and understanding OS maps
- Height on a map
- Longitude and latitude



Tropical Rainforests

Key elements:

- Climate in tropical rainforests
- The layers of a rainforest
- Plant and animal adaptations
- How people use the rainforest
- Deforestation and sustainability



Italy

Key elements:

- Italy's physical features
- Italy's regions
- Understanding development and the Human Development Index (HDI)
- Comparing and contrasting Italy and the UK
- Employment in Italy



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Year 7 Curriculum Plan: Geography

Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Africa		Weather and Climate		Coasts	
Key elements:		Key elements:		Key elements:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Human and physical features of Africa• Kenya as a LIC• Emigration• Drought• Tribes		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reporting and measuring the weather• Types of weather• Extreme weather• Zones and biomes• Climate change		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The UK coastline• Types of wave• Erosion, transportation and deposition• Coastal management• The Holderness Coastline	
 		 		 	
					
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Year 8 Curriculum Plan: Geography

Autumn 1

Autumn 2

Spring 1

Spring 2

Summer 1

Summer 2

Plate Tectonics

Key elements:

- The Earth's structure
- Earthquakes
- Volcanoes
- The rock cycle
- How has ice shaped the Earth?



China

Key elements:

- China's location
- Can countries control population?
- The development of China
- Globalisation
- Sustainability



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