Subject: Geography

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| **Term 1 Key Focus/Topic(s):**  
  **Introduction to Geography**  
  - Baseline test  
  - Human, physical and environmental Geography  
  **Introduction to Britain**  
  - Mountains, Rivers and seas  
  - Weather  
  - Rural and Urban areas  
  - Employment |
| **Term 2 Key Focus/Topic(s):**  
  **Map skills**  
  - Scale  
  - Mental maps  
  - Grid references  
  - Compass directions  
  - Ordnance survey maps |
| **Term 3 Key Focus/Topic(s):**  
  **Tectonics**  
  - Structure of the Earth  
  - Plates  
  - Earthquakes  
  - Tsunamis  
  - Volcanoes |
| **Term 1 Assessment Opportunities:**  
  - Base line test KS2 UK, Europe and World maps, Multi choice general geography questions |
| **Term 2 Assessment Opportunities:**  
  - Map skills test |
| **Term 3 Assessment Opportunities:**  
  - Tectonics test |
| **Term 4 Key Focus/Topic(s):**  
  **Introduction to rivers and river processes**  
  - The Water cycle  
  - Parts of a river  
  - Erosion transport and deposition  
  - River landforms |
| **Term 5 Key Focus/Topic(s):**  
  **River flooding**  
  - Causes of flooding  
  - Responding to flood risks  
  - Protection against flooding |
| **Term 6 Key Focus/Topic(s):**  
  **GIS (Geographic Information systems) and geographical techniques for fieldwork.**  
  - Introduction to Digimaps  
  - Methods of data collection  
  - Survey fieldwork  
  - Presentation techniques  
  - Analysis of results |
| **Term 4 Assessment Opportunities:**  
  - Unit test |
| **Term 5 Assessment Opportunities:**  
  - Skills project |
| **Term 6 Assessment Opportunities:**  
  - Skills project |
Rationale:
Year 7 follows the programme of study in Oxford GEOG.1 text books. Skills being developed include, map skills (4 and 6 figure grid references, measuring distance and height etc) use of graphs (located bar graphs, annotated field sketches, field work skills and GIS etc.), use of maps (OS maps on Digimaps - Ordnance survey maps and key skills) and fieldwork skills designing a questionnaire, drawing field sketches, annotating photos etc. Knowledge of the UK, Geography, introduction to tectonics and tectonic processes, introduction to rivers and river processes, flooding and basic GIS (Geographical Information System) which are all on Edexcel specification B. GIS (Geographical Information System) is also important when undertaking during GCSE fieldwork. Rivers, flooding, tectonics and Britain also provide the opportunity to discuss local issues and news stories relevant to the local area and global citizenship.

Evaluation:
End of unit tests and projects are designed to assess knowledge and skills for each unit. Homework tasks reinforce understanding through either development of skills and/or providing a local setting to provide context. Unit tests are reviewed and corrected by students during lesson and as homework task. End of Year 7 exam makes use of unit test questions to check understanding and ensure mistakes have been learnt from.