Bishop Wood Junior School - Geography Curriculum

| <u>Year</u> | Area of Study | <u>Key Skills</u> | <u>Knowledge</u> | <u>Vocabulary</u> |
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| Year 3 | Climate Zones and Biomes | To be able to extract data from graphs To be able to collect and present data To be able to see similarities and differences between places | Locate some of the world's climate zones on a map Describe and give examples of the variety of biomes and vegetation belts Know the flora and fauna that exists in each biome Know how they have adapted to each biome Use appropriate geographical vocabulary to describe weather, climate, climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts Identify the world's hottest, coldest, wettest and driest locations | Climate Weather Biome Vegetation Flora Fauna |
| | Our World | To be able to use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate places To be able to use the eight points of the compass | Continents, countries, counties/states Latitude and longitude Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere The Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn Arctic and Antarctic Circle The Prime/Greenwich Meridian and time zones Day and night | Continent Country County State Latitude Longitude Hemisphere Equator Tropic Prime Meridian |
| | Coasts | To be able to see similarities and differences between places To be able to explain a process To be able to express opinions | Physical features of coasts How these are changing now and have changed over time Know the names and locations of some UK coastal regions Compare a coastal region of the UK (e.g. SW England) and a region in a European country (e.g. Costa Blanca, Spain) | Coast Beach Cliff Dune Island Peninsula Stack Arch |

| | | | Economic activity in coastal areas- e.g. tourism Pollution of coastlines Effects of climate change on rising sea levels | CaveTourismPollution |
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| Year 4 | The Americas | To be able to extract information from maps and atlases To be able to use the eight points of the compass to describe direction To be able to create persuasive writing using given information | Names and locations of important South American cities Names and locations of important North American cities What are the main physical features of The Americas? What is the climate like in different parts of The Americas? What are cities in The Americas like? What is Route 66? What sites will you see along Route 66? Why do people want to visit Route 66? | City Mountain range Plains Desert |
| | Rivers | To be able to use maps, atlases and globes efficiently To be able to use four figure grid references To be able to create accurate graphs To be able to sketch accurately labelled diagrams | The Water Cycle The physical features found in the different parts of the course of a river Erosion, transportation and deposition Names and locations of important UK, European and World Rivers Graph length of rivers (link to computing.) Why are rivers important to people? OS map river related symbols | Evaporation Condensation Precipitation Run off Erosion Transportation Deposition Ordnance Survey |
| | Earthquakes and Volcanoes | To be able to interpret maps To have empathy for other people To ask questions of experts | Where do earthquakes and volcanoes tend to occur? Why do they happen in these areas? What is it like being in an earthquake? | Earthquake Volcano Tectonic plates |

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| Year 5 | Changes in our local environment | To be able to understand geographical similarities and differences To be able to use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping Use the eight points of a compass To be able use four and six-figure grid references To be able to use OS maps To be able to design, use and interpret a questionnaire | Name and locate counties and cities of the UK Name some of the key geographical regions of the UK and their main human and physical characteristics Change in regions (e.g. in London around the Olympic Park, post war reconstruction of Coventry) How new developments can be made sustainable Study of current and proposed developments in Tring, looking at positive and negative effects | SustainabilityRegions |
| | Europe -A Study of the Alpine Region | To be able to use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping To be able to understand and interpret data in a graph To be able to express an opinion To be able to explain a process | Political and Physical maps How mountains are made Location of the Alpine region Climate in the Alps How homes are adapted to suit the Alpine climate Advantages and disadvantages of tourism in the Alpine area Avalanches Design a Guidebook to the Alpine area | AlpinePoliticalPhysicalAvalanche |
| | Settlements, Trade and Migration | To be able to use and create maps to locate countries and describe the features studied | Types of settlement: hamlet, village, town, city, capital city. | HamletVillageTownCity |

| Year 6 | South America- | To have empathy for other people To be able to express an opinion To be able to create persuasive writing using given information • To be able to use maps, atlases, | Types of land use: Residential, recreation, agriculture, transport, commerce. Distribution of natural resources around the world Trading between countries- what are the UK's most important imports and exports? Migration- why might people want to leave their homes and move to another country? What are the reasons behind some recent examples of immigration into Britain? Locate the position of South American | Capital city Residential Recreation Agriculture Transport Commerce Migration Emigration Immigration • Rainforest |
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| rear 6 | The Amazon | To be able to use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate countries and describe features studied To be able to see similarities and differences between places To be able to interpret graphs | Locate the position of South American countries and the Amazon Rainforest Describe the features and layers of the Rainforest Know how different animals have adapted to live in the Rainforest Understand the climate of The Amazon To know the features of Manaus To know how life in the Amazon is changing To understand the problems associated with deforestation To know why the Rainforest is important | Rainforest Deforestation |
| | Mapwork | To be able to use maps and atlases to locate places and describe features studied To be able to use symbols and keys to build knowledge of the UK and the wider world To be able to clearly describe a route | Solve some map related problems and quizzes Know a wider range of OS map symbols Find key features on the North Norfolk OS map Use 6 figure grid references Create 3D contour models Design a local walk guide using the Aylesbury and Leighton Buzzard OS map | Grid reference |

| | To be able to use OS maps To be able to use 6 figure grid references | | |
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| Our World in the Future | To be able to interpret photographs To be able to compare maps and notice differences To be able to recognise change over time To be able to interpret graphs | How can places change? How has human activity changed the world since 1800? What other changes might happen by 2050? How and why have borders between countries changed in the recent past? What lessons can be learnt from what happened on Easter Island? How has the North Norfolk coast changed and why? | • Border |