Year 8 GEOGRAPHY Curriculum Map

	Autumn I	Autumn 2	Spring I	Spring 2	Summer I	Summer 2
Topic Overview	Plate tectonics and volcanoes	Earthquake hazards including tsunami and hurricanes	River Hydrology	Flood impacts and management	Our Blue Planet	Coastal Geography
Focus	Knowledge of the earth's structure. Use of diagrams in explanations. Understand how this causes tectonic activity. Understand what we mean by hazards and disasters. Knowledge of volcanic eruption case studies. Knowledge of how levels of development affect ability to cope.	Knowledge of earthquake case studies. Understanding of how hazard risk and disaster events can be managed. Ability to evaluate how levels of development affect ability to cope with events. Knowledge of hurricanes and the atmospheric conditions that cause them.	Knowledge of key vocabulary. Ability to use diagrams in explanations. Understanding of how physical processes shape places and affect people. Understanding of how processes interact. Understanding of how people alter physical processes.	Application of knowledge and understanding of river hydrology to flood events. Knowledge of case study details about river floods in the UK. Be able to draw and interpret flood hydrographs. Ability to make justified geographical decisions about flood management.	Knowledge of our oceans. Understanding of the impacts of human activity on this ecosystem. Ability to follow a geographical enquiry process to investigate this issue. Ability to suggest solutions to problems facing the oceans. Ability to make justified decisions about management.	Knowledge of key vocabulary. Ability to explain how coastal processes shape our coastline. Understand the human cost of coastal flooding and coastal erosion. Ability to make justified geographical decisions about coastal management. Awareness of the impact climate change will have on coastal communities.
Assessment	Topic Tests	Topic Tests	Topic Tests	Topic Tests	End of Year Exam	Topic tests