

Geography - Year 8



Autumn (Michaelmas) Term

What we are learning...

Tectonic Activity - Volcanoes and Earthquakes: causes, impacts and responses to different tectonic hazards

The World's ecosystems, tropical rainforests and deforestation

Consolidation

Watch the movie 'Dante's Peak'
(we have the DVD if you need to
borrow) Make a list of all the
evidence/signs that a volcanic
eruption was about to happen
Make a model volcano

Surveying Habitat: Grassland -Record different species of plants and animals/insects in a metre square area of grass and write down what you discover.

Deepen & Challenge

Investigate the eruption of the Eyjafjallajokull in Iceland and write a newspaper report explaining the impacts it had on a) local people b) the rest of the world

Create a possible food web from your results

Spring (Lent) Term

What we are learning...

Hot Deserts: How life can survive extreme temperatures and rainfall in hot desert areas around the world

Transport:
Transport types, networks in
the UK and sustainable
transport

Consolidation

Do people go on holiday in hot deserts? Research and plan a 2 day trip to a hot desert you would like to visit

Record your different types of transport for one week. Was it sustainable? If not suggest how it could have been improved

Deepen & Challenge

Find out by using the internet what causes 'desertification' - when fertile land turns into a desert. Make a list of suggestions to prevent this from happening

Film examples of sustainable transport you can spot during one month

Summer (Trinity) Term

What we are learning...

Agriculture and Rural areas of the UK To investigate farming in the UK and identify changes over the past 50 years

The Water Cycle and Rivers:
Drinking dinosaur water &
investigating the life and
journey of a river

Consolidation

Watch the short documentary
about a day in the life of a
farmer and draw a timeline or
make a list of what he does each
day

Write a song or rap about the water cycle

Deepen & Challenge

Imagine you are a farmer research and write about the
products that you would grow to
make your farm sustainable and
encourage young people to work
in agriculture

Design a flood prevention scheme to stop the River Mole flooding Moon Hall School