



The Mall School

Curriculum Guide

Geography –Autumn Term 2019

Year 4

Teachers: Mr Christian English and Mr James Fair
Lessons: 3 lessons (approximately 40 minutes each)
Homework: 1 x 30min

Introduction:

The geography curriculum is a spiral curriculum in which the boys will revisit topics and build on their knowledge and understanding of various geographical topics.

It is intended that the boys will become interested in the world around them and they will be encouraged to ask questions and carry out enquiries to their questions. They will develop their skills in reading maps and increase their knowledge of the world by learning about countries and their capital cities. They will learn that their world is constantly changing and through the topic of earthquakes and volcanoes, the boys will start to understand physical processes and reflect on the impact that natural disasters have in the local area.

Topics: Map work and map reading skills, how the Earth is formed, earthquakes and volcanoes
The topic of earthquakes and volcanoes may continue into the following term.

Key Objectives

- To understand what Geography is all about and the sort of topics that it covers
- Understand the components of a map – including scale, grid references, key with symbols, contour lines
- To gain some experience of looking at a range of maps including an Ordnance Survey map
- To understand how the earth is formed and what the layers are
- To understand the physical processes that cause an earthquake
- To understand the damage and consequences of an earthquake disaster focusing on a case study
- To understanding the link between volcanoes and earthquakes and what causes a volcano to erupt
- To understand through a case study the impact a volcanic eruption has on the local population/environment
- To increase their global location knowledge to include the name and position of G8 countries, the main seas in Europe, the main cities in Great Britain and facts on the highest/tallest/ longest/ smallest river, mountain, country, city etc.
This will be an objective throughout the year.

Resources:

All boys must bring the following equipment to all lessons:

Handwriting pen (blue), pencil, rubber, pencil sharpener, 30cm ruler, colouring pencils, highlighter pens, small pair of scissors, glue stick.

A variety of resources are used in lessons and there is no Geography text book for Year 4