



Geography Curriculum Overview - Year 5

	Unit	Details
Spring Two	North America	Year 5 pupils will build on their knowledge of the continents of the world by firstly focusing on North America and its location in relation to the Equator, Northern and Southern hemispheres, Arctic circle and the Tropics. They will begin to understand the term biome and know some of the features of the main types of biome. They will identify and locate some of the countries of North America and be able to describe the human and physical features found there. Developing their skills as geographers, they will investigate two contrasting regions and describe the different environments found there.
Summer One	South America	Following on from their learning about North America, pupils will then investigate South America in more detail and will be able to name and locate some of the countries found there. Using their developing knowledge of biomes, they will look at how regions in South America differ to North America and be able to explain why this is using a range of geographical terms.
Summer Two	Rainforests	After studying South America, the learning will then focus on rainforests, and in particular the Amazon. Pupils will explore the significance and location of rainforests around the world, why they are under threat and the impact humans can have, both negatively and positively, on the environment.

Geography is taught on a carousel with History, which is taught during the other half terms.