Geography has essential content identified for individual year groups to teach. This is specific areas or knowledge which must be covered by that year group.

	Year 5	Year 6
National Curriculum	Human and physical geography • Describe and understand key aspects of:	Human and physical geography • Describe and understand key aspects of:
	Physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes, and the water cycle	Physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts, rivers, mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes, and the water cycle
	Human geography, including: types of settlement and land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water	Human geography, including: types of settlement and land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water
	Place Knowledge Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom, a region in a European country, and a region within North or South America.	Place Knowledge Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom, a region in a European country, and a region within North or South America.
Essential Content	PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY • Describe and understand key aspects of: Climate zones	PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY • Describe and understand key aspects of: Biomes and vegetation belts
	 Describe and understand key aspects of: Economic activity including distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water. 	 HUMAN GOEGRAPHY Describe and understand key aspects of: Types of settlement and land use Economic activity including trade links.
	PLACE KNOWLEDGE North or South America	Geography association suggested unit: Investigating World Trade - Key Stage 2 (printed)
	Geography association suggested units:	
	Climate, Water Insecurity and Consumption	
	Investigating Resources	
	Investigation Energy	
	World Water Day	