KS3 Geography Literacy Foci	YEAR 8	YEAR 9	YEAR 10
SEPTEMBER	Reading for purpose – The United Kingdom All about Me – Journey to School written account with accompanying annotated map	Reading for purpose – Population distribution Population key terms to learn – distribution, density, sparse, dense	Reading for purpose – Tectonic Plate Boundaries Restless Earth key terms – Glossary to produce throughout year
OCTOBER	The Water Cycle – writing the story of Danny Raindrop as he makes his journey from the sea. Rivers Key Terms to learn	Oracy – debate opportunity – issues that may arise due to world population explosion – Too many People? Jelly Baby Population Game – small group discussions.	Examination practice – command words – Describe, Explain, Outline, List, Evaluate, Discuss Understanding examination requirements – STATEMENT, CONSEQUENCE and ELABORATION
NOVEMBER	Rivers glossary of key terms to produce for drainage basin, processes of TED and explanation of landform formation. Oracy opportunity – debate on benefits and problems of rivers.	Reading for purpose – Population Policies Oracy – debate opportunity – does a country have the right to decide how many children you can have?	Reading for purpose – Responses to the Japan Tsunami in 2011 PPQ practice – decoding questions and expectations in responses.
DECEMBER	Environmental Awareness key terms to learn. Oracy opportunity – "We have a responsibility to take care of our planet"	Migration – debate – All people have the right to live wherever they choose. Population key terms to learn.	Essay writing – The Kobe quake, causes and impacts
JANUARY	Poster design – raising awareness of our global footprints	Weather and Climate key terms to learn. Reading for purpose – How do clouds form?	Essay writing – The Kobe Quake – Responses, Planning and Preparation. Oracy opportunity – strategies for survival in an earthquake – making earthquake proof structures and then describing your strategy.

JUNE	Project work	Project Work	Project Work
MAY	Reading for purpose – Growth of Belfast as a settlement	Reading for purpose – Sustainable Tourism	Examination practice and revision – reading, interpreting and writing answers.
APRIL	Settlement Key Terms Reading for purpose – Settlements Extended Writing – My Ideal Home	Tourism key terms to learn. Reading for purpose – The Growth of Tourism and Skills and Qualities in the Tourism industry.	Interpretation of resources – decoding maps, graphs, photographs
MARCH	Reading for purpose –What is the rainforest like? Climate and Soils of the rainforest. Oracy debate – Why did Chico Mendez die?	Climate change debate – oracy. "Climate change is NOT my responsibility."	Essay writing – Evaluate the potential impacts of a supervolcanic eruption with reference to a case study. Reading for purpose – Studying Geography at GCSE
FEBRUARY	Rainforest key terms to learn Reading for purpose – What is an ecosystem?	Extreme Weather Reading for Purpose – Beast from the East. Climate Change	Reading for purpose – What is a volcano? Positive and Negative impacts of a volcano