

## KS3 Geography – Spring Term 2026

**Spring Term Dates** – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026 – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026

**Half-term:** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026 **No sessions**

### Units covered:

- Unit 1 (Weeks 1–6): Tectonic Processes (Earthquakes, Volcanoes & Plates)
- Unit 2 (Weeks 7–11): Rivers & Coasts

<b>Week</b>	<b>Date (Tuesday)</b>	<b>Unit / Topic</b>	<b>Lesson Focus &amp; Notes</b>
Week 1	Tuesday 6 January 2026	UNIT 1 – Tectonic Processes	Structure of the Earth (layers, crust, mantle, core, convection currents). Skills: labelled diagrams.
Week 2	Tuesday 13 January 2026	UNIT 1 – Tectonic Processes	Plate Boundaries (constructive, destructive, conservative, collision) and associated hazards. Skills: interpreting tectonic maps.
Week 3	Tuesday 20 January 2026	UNIT 1 – Tectonic Processes	Earthquakes – causes, focus, epicentre, impacts on people and environments. Skills: comparing impacts between countries.
Week 4	Tuesday 27 January 2026	UNIT 1 – Tectonic Processes	Volcanoes – types (shield/composite), eruption styles, case study. Skills: explaining causes and

			effects.
Week 5	Tuesday 3 February 2026	UNIT 1 – Tectonic Processes	Living With Tectonic Hazards – prediction, preparation, protection, why people live in risky areas. Skills: balanced argument.
Week 6	Tuesday 10 February 2026	UNIT 1 – Tectonic Processes	Tectonic Enquiry / Assessment – hazard map, response plan, or short test. Skills: revision and enquiry write-up.
Week 7	Tuesday 24 February 2026	UNIT 2 – Rivers & Coasts	Water Cycle (quick review) and River Basics – upper/middle/lower course, long profile. Skills: cross-sections.
Week 8	Tuesday 3 March 2026	UNIT 2 – Rivers & Coasts	River Processes – erosion, transport, deposition. Skills: explaining processes with diagrams.
Week 9	Tuesday 10 March 2026	UNIT 2 – Rivers & Coasts	River Landforms – V-shaped valleys, waterfalls, meanders, oxbow lakes, floodplains. Skills: annotation.
Week 10	Tuesday 17 March 2026	UNIT 2 – Rivers & Coasts	Coastal Processes & Landforms – erosion, longshore drift, caves, arches, stacks, spits. Skills: map/photo

Week 11

Tuesday 24 March  
2026

UNIT 2 – Rivers &  
Coasts

interpretation.

Flooding & Coastal  
Management –  
causes, hard/soft  
engineering,  
evaluation. Skills:  
decision-making and  
justification.