

Knowledge Organiser

Year 3

Geography: Main Learning: Mountains, Earthquakes and volcanoes

Key knowledge

Know how mountains were formed and what causes earthquakes or volcanoes

Know what tectonic plates are

Know how mountains are formed

Know and locate the most well-known mountains in the UK and the world

Know what causes an earthquake

Know what causes a volcano

Vocabulary

tectonic plates Slabs of moving rock on the Earth's outer shell

lava Hot, molten or semi-fluid rock

strata Layers of rock

eruption An explosion of steam or lava from a volcano

summit The very top of the mountain

tsunami A long, high wave usually caused by an earthquake in the ocean



Prior Knowledge –