**Knowledge Organiser – North America**

**Class 6 – Spring 2**

**Key Questions/objectives:**

Can you name and locate the countries of North America on a map?

Describe and compare the differences in climate across North America.

Compare Yellowstone National Park with the Lake District.

**Key Information:**

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| How many countries are there in North America? | There are 23.  Use a map of the continent to locate and name the countries. |
| Describe the climate in different regions of the continent. | What is the average temperature and precipitation?  Are the seasons very different? |
| Yellowstone and The Lake District. | What is the same about these two national parks?  Identify the differences. |

**Key Vocabulary:**

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| Continent | A continent is a massive area of land that is separate from other by water or other natural features. There are seven continents on Earth. |
| Climate | The normal weather conditions of a place, including precipitation and temperature. |
| Weather | The day to day meteorological conditions, especially temperature, cloudiness and rainfall, affecting a specific place. |
| Precipitation | Precipitation is any liquid or frozen water that falls from the sky. Rain, snow, sleet, frozen rain are all precipitation. |
| Human Feature | Something that is built by humans and would not have existed in nature without humans. |
| Physical Feature | Natural features (Physical features) of an environment e.g. landforms, climates, soils and vegetation. |
| Population | The number of people who live in a country, region or city. |
| National Park | An area of outstanding natural beauty in which wildlife is protected. |

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| **Physical Features** | **Human Features** |
| Niagara Falls | Panama Canal |
| Death Valley | Mayan Pyramids |
| Grand Canyon | Twin Towers |
| Kilauea | Mount Rushmore |
| Rocky Mountains | Golden Gate Bridge |