Year 6: Science The Environment Knowledge Mat

Subject	t Specific Vocabulary	Information	Important Knowledge
climate	Climate is not the same as weather, but rather, it is the average pattern of weather for a particular region.		 Iknow how the volume of rainfall has changed in the Northwest of England since the 1800s. Iknow how the temperature has
precipitation	Precipitation is water that falls to the earth as hail, mist, rain, sleet, or snow.	Transport Offsets Electricity	changed in the Northwest of England. I know what a fossil fuel is.
fossil fuels	A fossil fuel is a natural substance formed from the buried remains of ancient organisms that can be used as a source of energy.	Waste Recycling Gas Fuel	 Iknow how fossil fuels create greenhouse gases which contribute towards climate change. Iknow the names of extreme weather; floods, tsunami, hurricane.
greenhouse gases	Greenhouse gases are gases in Earth's atmosphere that trap heat.		tornado, tropical cyclone, mudslide. I know where extreme
extreme weather	Weather conditions that are beyond normal parameters.	SNOW RAIN SLEET HAIL FREEZING RAIN	weather occurs. I know the impact that extreme weather can have on human life.
tsunami	A large ocean wave usually caused by an underwater earthquake or a volcanic explosion.		 Iknow that a carbon footprint is the term used to describe the amount of energy used. Iknow the negative impact that high carbon footprints can have
tropical cyclone	A circular storm that forms over warm oceans.		on human life and the planet. □ Ican identify the range and intervals that I need to use for a
mudslide	Debris that accelerates down a hill or slope during periods of intense rainfall or rapid snowmelt.		set of measurements. I can use the results from my investigation and the knowledge I have acquired
climate change	The long-term changes in global temperatures and other characteristics of the atmosphere.		 during my research to form a conclusion. Ican evaluate my research. Ican separate fact from fiction
carbon footprint	Your carbon footprint is the amount of greenhouse gas released into the air because of your own energy needs.		or opinion. I can decide on the best way to present what I have found out.