

WHAT ARE WE STUDYING?

Key Stage 3 Geography

Year 7

- Map Skills
- Settlement
- China
- Weather
- Ice on the Land
- Middle East
- Rivers
- Threatened Places

Year 8

- Map Skills
- Kenya
- Ecosystems
- Tourism
- Extreme Environments
- Development
- Water World
- Coasts
- Sustainability

Homework - you should expect to be set homework once a fortnight from your homework booklet.

Key Stage 4

Geography is offered as a three year course leading to the GCSE examination. Students will be accepted to take the subject as long as they have demonstrated an interest in the earth and our environment and that they have a willingness to study.

There is a new syllabus as of 2015 with AQA A. These topics represent the most contemporary global issues that affect us today. There is no better reason to study Geography than this! The main topics studied will be:

Natural Hazards

Rivers

Coasts

Ecosystems

Urban World

Changing Economic World

Resource Management

Map Skills

These are studied at local, national and global levels and much activity is based on problem solving. The case studies which we choose to illustrate these themes are as topical and relevant as possible. Our teaching resources are up-to-date and include not just a variety of modern text books but computers, maps, aerial photographs, and satellite images. All students will have access to these resources during their course.

Homework - you should expect to receive homework at least once a week in Geography.

What will I learn?

Since the course is so wide-ranging it appeals to students with a wide variety of personal interests and there is the opportunity for students to develop these interests through fieldwork. They will study this as part of two contrasting fieldtrips.

The examination will work as follows:

Unit 1 - Physical Geography

Unit 2 - Human Geography

Unit 3 - Fieldwork Paper

Geography has much to offer the students in terms of environmental education, equal opportunities and economic and industrial understanding. It requires both scientific and humanistic skills and is welcomed by employers as a GCSE qualification since it is evident that students can handle data in many different forms and interpret it to form valid conclusions.

As such it has wide ranging career implications but is particularly relevant in the fields of - distribution, marketing, business management, environmental management, travel and tourism, planning surveying, architecture, housing, local government, forestry, farm management, fuel and power industries, social work, civil engineering, meteorology and many more. The department strives for success for the students and interest and enjoyment for both students and teachers.