

Subject:

GCSE Geography

Course Content:

The course aims to equip students with the knowledge and skills to become independent learners.

Students will be able to appreciate the differences and similarities between people, places and cultures leading to an improved understanding of societies and economies. Students will also understand how physical processes and factors produce diverse and dynamic landscapes that change over time. We will also look at the interaction between people and the environment to develop an understanding of the need for sustainable management.

Year 9

- Coastal Landscapes and Processes
- Changing Cities
- Fieldwork Skills

Year 10

- Ecosystems, Biodiversity and Management
- Global Development
- UK Challenges

Year 11

- Weather Hazards and Climate Change
- Resource Management
- Fieldwork Skills

Assessment Components:

3 examination papers sat in June 2018:

Unit 1: The Physical Environment—37.5% 1½ hour examination

Unit 2: The Human Environment—37.5%, 1½ hour examination

Unit 3: Geographical Investigation: Fieldwork and UK Challenges, 25%, 1½ hour examination

Examination Board: Edexcel A

Progress into Careers / Sixth Form / Higher Education:

Sixth Form: Geography is a highly respected academic subject, which supports many varied careers.

Higher Education: Geography, Anthropology and Geography, Environmental Earth Science, Human Geography, Physical Geography,

Careers: Archaeologist, Business Continuity and Sustainability, Cartographer, Civil Engineering Technician, Civil or Structural Engineer, Countryside Ranger or Warden, Environmental Consultant, Environmental Engineer, Forest Manager, Forest Ranger, Forest Worker, Gamekeeper, Geologist, Geophysicist, Intelligence Services, Landscape Architect, Meteorologist, Mining Engineer, Nature Conservationist, Oceanographer, Outdoor Pursuits Instructor or Leader, Surveyor, Teacher, Tour Manager or Tour Leader, Town and Country Planner, Travel Agency Manager.

Additional Information:

Current affairs and an interest in processes which shape our world will be an asset to the course.

GCSE will form the foundations for further in-depth study of topical subjects at Advanced level.

There will be at least 3 days fieldwork across the three years to be assessed in the fieldwork examination paper.

Golden Curriculum / Enrichment Opportunities:

There will be many fieldwork opportunities within this subject. Students will have the opportunity on the trips to develop and practice skills that they have acquired in the classroom.

There is an annual enrichment trip abroad available to students, such as Iceland and Norway.

Drop in sessions and revision classes will be provided at least once a week after school.

Curriculum Leader: Ms Saunders

