

Course information**Year: 8 Subject: Geography**

Subject	Geography	Subject Lead contact information	Mr Pye, Head of Humanities
Examination Board	N/A	Specification Code	N/A

Subject ContentWeather and climate

An introduction to the concepts of weather and climate. Students will learn about measuring and recording weather, clouds, rainfall, air pressure and the influence of air masses. Also the concept of climate change and the impact that it is having on our planet.

Population and migration

Students learn about the key concepts of population and migration. This includes how and why the population of our planet is changing and how this presents a challenge in the future. Students also learn about the reason for human migration and how it can alter and change the character of the place.

Global issues (including climate change)

Students learn about the key issues that are affecting our planet. These include plastic pollution, poverty, sea-level rise, animal extinctions and resource management. A major focus will take place on climate change.

India

A country study on the newly emerging economy of India and its place in the modern world. Students will study its location, physical geography, life in the cities and India's impact on a global scale.

Plate Tectonics

A key physical geography topic! Students learn about plate movements, volcanic eruptions, earthquakes and tsunamis. There is a strong focus on how the effects of these hazards can be managed by people.

China

A country study on the newly emerging economy of China and its place in the modern world. Students are able to contrast this study to the previous study of India as they learn about the changes the country has experienced in its human and economic Geography.

Hot Deserts

In this unit, students learn about the key locations and physical features of desert environments. They learn about the unique ecosystems deserts contain and how they can be considered fragile environments, susceptible to change.

Dangerous Places

The dangerous places of our planet! These range from Chernobyl in Ukraine, the Mexican-USA border, Detroit in the USA, Cape Town in South Africa and Rio de Janeiro in Brazil.

Additional Equipment Needed**Assessment Details:**

Home Study and Independent Learning Parental Support Information

To be successful students will need to be able to: To be successful in Key Stage 3 students will need to know, apply and understand the matters, skills and processes specified in the programme of study above.

What can I do to support my child at home?

Encourage and help develop the child's passion and academic progress in the subject. This could be achieved by visits to key geographical locations, museums and exhibitions. In addition, this can be achieved by exposure to media sources like television documentaries, TED talks and BBC Bitesize

Recommended resources for the course:

Websites: [National Curriculum - Geography key stages 3 and 4](#)

[KS3 Geography](#)

Apps: BBC news

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