



What the course will involve -

Geography is a modern subject that encourages you to examine the world in which you live. During the A level course you will study both natural features, human activity and interactions between the two. Topics studied in Year 12 include Rivers, Floods and management, Coastal environments, Population change and Health issues.

Success in Geography is dependent upon you being aware of your world. It extends beyond the classroom and reaches into ecology, resource management, landforms and international business. You will develop skills in collecting and analysing information, making decisions and drawing conclusions. You will be given an opportunity to work alone and in groups. You will undertake research using books, newspapers, magazines, CD ROMS and the Internet.

There will be 2 days of fieldwork in Year 12 and 1 day of fieldwork in Year 13.

Exam Board: AQA

Assessment -

Year 12

Geographical skills (30% of AS, 15% of A level)

Rivers and Population Change (70% of AS, 35% of A level)

Year 13

Geographical issues (20% of A level)

Topics include Ecosystems and Globalisation (30% of A level)

What the course can lead to -

Continuing Education - Geography can be taken with both Arts (BA) and Science (BSc) faculties at university. Other relevant University courses include: Environmental Science, Geology, Planning, Heritage Management and Earth Sciences.

Careers - Geography is a versatile subject and is welcomed by employers in all walks of life. Geography students have gone on to work as urban planners, estate managers, and bankers. They are employed by the armed forces, chemical industry, met office and the BBC.



Entry Requirements -

Usually a grade C in Geography is required. Students who have not studied Geography at GCSE but have A – B grades in other subjects may be considered.