



# Geography

## Aims

- To develop an understanding of how physical and human processes interact.
- To develop a sense of place and an appreciation of the environment.
- Through the study of a range of communities and regions, to acquire knowledge and understanding of different environments and geographical patterns.
- To develop students' understanding of the balance of rights and responsibilities in their relationship with the environment.
- To develop students' ability to evaluate how decisions affect people and the environments in which they live.
- To develop students' understanding of what constitutes sustainable development.

## Organisation

The Department consists of the Head of Department, one full-time teacher and one part-time teacher. The main textbooks used through the lower and upper school are the Waugh series of Key Geography. There is widespread use of audio-visual facilities and computers for simulations, word processing, data handling and research of geographical books, journals, magazines and CD-roms.

## Who studies what and when?

The Geography curriculum is organised on a topic basis. Geography is taught within the following framework:

Year 7	1 lesson a week (60 minutes)
Year 8	1 lesson a week (60 minutes)
Year 9	3 lessons in a two-week cycle
Years 10 & 11	5 lessons in a two-week cycle
LVI and UVI	9 lessons in a two-week cycle

Term	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Sukkot	The United Kingdom Map skills	Maps Tourism	Maps Global Economy
Pesach	UK Population Change 2012 Olympics	Asia Population	Ecosystems
Shavuot	Are We British or European?	Rivers & Coasts	Middle East & Israel

Term	Year 10	Year 11
Sukkot	Challenges for the planet Coastal/River landscapes	Coursework Hazards
Pesach	Glaciated/tectonic landscapes Tourists' World	Industry & Development Decision-Making Exercise (examination)
Shavuot	Revision and examination Controlled Assessment and Fieldwork	Revision

Term	LVI	UVI
Sukkot	Rivers, Floods & Management Population Change Field Trip	Plate tectonics and associated hazards Weather and climate and associated hazards
Pesach	Cold Environments Energy Issues Geographical Skills	Ecosystems: change and challenges World Cities
Shavuot	Coastal Environments	Development and Globalisation Revision

## Public examinations

GCSE - Edexcel A  
AS/A LEVEL - AQA

## Benefits

- Geography enables students to learn about different societies and cultures.
- Geography helps students to develop a range of investigative and problem-solving skills both inside and outside the classroom.
- Geography helps students to realise how nations rely on each other. It can inspire them to think about their own place in the world, their values, and their rights and responsibilities with respect to other people and the environment.