Introduction

The Geography GCSE is relevant, topical and interesting.

Do you want to:

- Learn about and understand the world we live in?

- Develop skills that will support you in other subjects and in employment, such as IT and research?

- Complete practical work away from the classroom?

- Learn through investigating?

If so, then you will find Geography GCSE rewarding and enjoyable.

The Course

The world is always changing. This course gives you the chance to learn about those changes.

There are three units which are all assessed by examination.

Unit 1: Global Geographical Issues

This unit covers a range of physical and human processes and is divided into three sections:

- Hazardous earth

- Development dynamics

- Challenges of an urbanising world

Unit 2: UK Geographical Issues

This unit focuses on contemporary geographical issues in the UK. It is divided into:

- Evolving physical landscapes

- Evolving human landscapes

- Geographical investigations (to include two fieldwork enquiries)

Unit 3: People and Environment Issues - Making

Geographical Decisions

You will investigate a range of issues in these areas:

- People and the biosphere

- Forests under threat

- Consuming energy resources

The skills you learn in this topic will be valuable in all aspects of GCSE and in the rest of your life.

Assessment

Each of the three units is assessed by examination. Question styles include multiple-choice, short answer and extended writing answers.

Additional Opportunities

Fieldwork is an integral part of the course. You will complete two days of field work.

Careers and Higher Education

Geographers are highly sought after people. Universities and employers welcome geographers as they have a range of transferable skills and are excellent problem solvers, planners and creative thinkers! Geographers enter many different professions relating to the Business World,

Environmental Work, Travel and Tourism, Cartography, Geographical information systems, the Police, Teaching, Surveying, Engineering, Planning and so on. Geography studied to A Level supports both the arts and science subjects.

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