What is the qualification?

AQA GCSE Geography

What will I learn in Geography?

In geography you learn about the world! You will learn about the UK physical landscape and the role of rivers and

waves in shaping our environment. You will study natural hazards such as volcanoes, earthquakes and tropical

storms. You will find out about extreme weather events and the implications of climate change. You will learn about

the major ecosystems of the world including rainforests and deserts: will these survive the onslaught of human

activity? In terms of human geography you will learn about major world cities and the challenges that they face. You

will discover how the world works from an economic point of view: which countries and corporations are the

major players in todays connected world? Finally, you will learn about the challenges we face in managing the earth’s

resources: how will we provide the necessary food, water and energy for an ever-growing global population?

What is the course overview for Geography?

Living with the Physical Environment

The Challenge of Natural Hazards / Physical Landscapes in the UK / The Living World

Challenges in the Human Environment

Urban Issues and Challenges / The Changing Economic World / The Challenge of Resource Management

Geographical Applications

Evaluating Contemporary Issues / Fieldwork / Geographical Skills

How will I be assessed in Geography?

You will be assessed via three exams at the end of Year 11 (One exam in each of the topic areas listed above)

What skills will I develop in Geography?

The skills you will develop in Geography are too numerous to list! They include: Map skills, graphical skills, numerical

skills, statistical skills, use of data, investigative skills and literacy skills.

Why should I study Geography? The future of the planet is in your generation’s hands! Young people need to know about world problems and how these can be managed. The range of transferable skills learned through the study of Geography is one of the reasons that it is prized by universities and employers. Geography is one of the "English Baccalaureate" subjects at GCSE level, and at A-level is regarded as a "Facilitating subject" by the top universities. Which career pathways will Geography lead to? Geographers are employed in numerous fields such as journalism and media, the law, engineering, business management, ICT, environmental management, teaching, marketing, architecture, town planning, recreation and tourism. Who should I contact for more details about Geography? Mr Lacey email: RLacey@stjohns.excalibur.org.uk