Geography is a subject that goes beyond the realms of map skills and capital cities! It will make you think

about the World around you, your place within it and the impact our actions have upon it. The content is

current, dealing with issues that face us today.

A broad range of topics are covered, utilising a wide range of transferable skills – from problem solving and

team work to data handling and map interpretation; these will all help students to academic success and

in their life outside the classroom. Geography is a sought after discipline in the workplace; this is due to

the lateral thinking and team work skills that it fosters alongside the academic rigour that it demands.

The course is delivered using a range of dynamic and current events, supported by the wide range of

resources available to the department. Students achieve extremely well and a high proportion choose to

go on to study the discipline further.

How will the course be structured?

The course is made up of three elements:

Living with the

physical environment

The challenges of natural hazards:

Tectonic hazards

Climate hazards

Climate change

The living world

Ecosystems

Tropical Rainforests

Cold environments

Physical landscapes in the UK

Coastal landscapes

River landscapes

Written exam:

1 hour 30 minutes

(35% of GCSE grade)

Challenges in the

human environment

Urban issues and challenges

Urban issues in LIC’s and NEEs

Opportunities and challenges of urban growth

Urban sustainability

The changing economic world

Development and quality of life

Rapid economic development

in LICs and NEEs

Economy of the UK and its

future

The challenge of resources

Resource management

A focus on either food, water

or energy as a resource.

Written exam:

1 hour 30 minutes

(35% of GCSE grade)

Geographical

applications (and

Geographical skills)

Fieldwork and issues evaluation

Carrying out the enquiry process

Critical thinking

ALL students will be required to participate in TWO

fieldwork experiences.

Written exam: 1 hour 15 minutes

There is no CONTROLLED

ASSESSMENT element.

(30% of the GCSE grade)

Geographical skills are utilised throughout all modules delivered (Cartographic, graphical, numerical

(including the use of statistical data), literacy and the formulation of enquiry and arguments.)

Tiering: None

To find more information about the course, follow the link below:

http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/geography/gcse/geography-80