Why do I need to study this subject?

Geography gives students the opportunity to understand more about the world, the challenges it faces

and their place within it. This GCSE course will deepen understanding of geographical processes,

illuminate the impact of change and of complex people-environment interactions, highlight the dynamic

links and interrelationships between places and environments at different scales, and develop students’

competence in using a wide range of geographical investigative skills and approaches. Geography

enables young people to become globally and environmentally informed and thoughtful, enquiring

Citizens.

What careers does it link to?

Media/Journalism Tourism GIS Systems

Surveyor Cartographer Management and conservation

of landscapes

Ecology/Geology International Relations Politics

What will I be studying? There are three components in the GCSE course. Component 1 covers the Physical Landscape of the UK, including rivers and coasts; weather hazards and climate change, ecosystems, biodiversity and management. Component 2 is the Human Environment covering changing cities, global development, resource management including water and energy. The last component will cover Geographical Investigations: Fieldwork and UK Challenges

How will I be examined? Paper 1 - Written examination: 1 hour and 30 minutes 35% of the GCSE Paper 2 - Written examination: 1 hour and 30 minutes 35% of the GCSE Paper 3 - Written examination: 1 hour and 15 minutes 30% of the GCSE