

Geography in Year 7



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Course Content

Students will have the opportunity to study the following:

- Geographical Skills—Classical geographical skills are taught including OS map reading, and using a compass.
- People everywhere—Students look at the impacts of 7 billion people and how to manage rapid population growth.
- Raging Rivers and Cracking coasts— Lessons will enable students to understand how unique landforms around the world are created from the power of rivers and waves.
- Wild Weather—Students develop enquiry skills to investigate the weather of the British Isles.
- Urbanisation— Factors affecting urban growth and effects of growth at a variety of scales will be studied. Students will be challenge to design their own sustainable community.

Gifted and Talented Provision

- Higher order thinking activities are designed to stretch those identified as gifted and talented.
- Students have access to a textbook specifically designed to challenge gifted and talented students.

Assessment

- Students are assessed using written assessments and projects at the end of each unit of work throughout the year
- Assessments will be used to track student progress, inform decisions about sets and create individual targets which will raise their aspirations

Extracurricular Opportunities

- Eco-club for those interested in the environment.
- Fieldwork which includes discovering microclimates and tourism in the summer term.

Equipment Required

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Useful Websites

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- **Advanced Mapping**— Students will use longitude and latitude to explore the physical and human features in Africa and Asia.
- **World Issues**— Students will explore current world issues affecting modern society such as food and water supply, climate change, trade and aid.
- **Restless Earth**—Students will investigate the causes of volcanoes and earthquakes. They will examine the social, economic, environmental and political impacts of these events.
- **India**—Students will learn about the physical, human and economic features of this country and how they vary across regions.
- **Groovy Glaciers**—Lessons will enable students to understand how unique landforms around the world are created
- **Kenya**—Students will learn about the physical, human and economic features of this country and how they vary

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