

SUBJECT: Geography

YEAR: 12 and 13

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT: Mr McCarthy

GROUPING POLICY: Option Groups - Mixed

EXAM BOARD: AQA

SPECIFICATION LINK: <https://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/geography/specifications/AQA-7037-SP-2016.PDF>

COURSE CONTENT:

- **Physical Geography;** Water and carbon cycles, hot deserts/coastal landscapes/glacial environments, hazards or ecosystems.
- **Human Geography;** Global systems and governance, Changing Places, Contemporary urban environments/Population and the Environment/Resource Security.
- **Geographical skills and research.**

What will homework look like?

Various tasks such as set reading tasks, essay-style exam responses, extra personal reading and research, collaborative work.

What enrichment opportunities are available?

- Year 12/13 field week – 4 mandatory days of fieldwork leading to individual project write-ups
- Guest speakers
- Conferences
- Independent research

ASSESSMENT

How will my child's work be assessed?

There will be two written exams in the summer of Year 13:

- Physical Geography = 40%
- Human Geography = 40%

Each student must also complete an individual investigation of between 3000-4000 words into a relevant issue, worth 20%.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

How can I support my child in this subject?

- Encourage extra reading around topics
- Discuss learning
- Mandatory 4 days of fieldwork, current cost approximately £320.00
- Ensure attendance in lessons at school

How can I support my child with exams?

- Revision techniques and timetabling