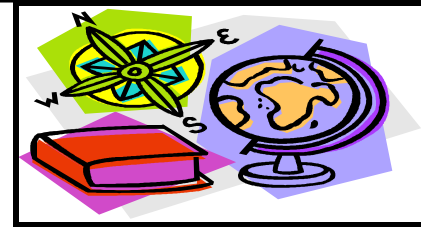


GEOGRAPHY - YEAR 9



Subject Content

- Tectonic Activity
- Environmental Issues - Antarctica
- Coasts
- France and the EU
- Geographical Skills

These topics allow pupils to develop their awareness of physical and human geography as well as their own place within a local, national and international environment.

Assessment

Students are assessed regularly through homework and class work. There are three major assessed pieces of work, one per term. Students will receive a national curriculum level for these. There are two tests, mid year and end of year. The results from these will be reported to parents on the end of year reports. At the end of year 9 students will be given a national curriculum level. This is the level they are working at during year 9. Formal and informal assessment will help the class teachers decide the appropriate level for the student. This will be communicated to parents via Y9 reports.

Skills Developed

- Pupils will develop a range of skills necessary to carry out a geographical enquiry and to interpret geographical information.
- Pupils will be able to communicate their geographical knowledge and understanding through a variety of writing styles.
- Pupils will develop numeracy skills by understanding scale, interpreting graphs, using an atlas.
- Pupils will develop thinking skills, independent learning and decision making skills.

Extra Curricular activities and clubs

Help with homework is available for students during lunchtime in the geography room.

Differentiation

Structured writing frames are provided for those students who need more help with writing longer extended style answers.

Provision for Gifted and Talented

Competitions are advertised within the department, which are promoted by the Royal Geographical Society. In assessment work, criteria for higher national curriculum levels are always made available to students to encourage able students to extend their abilities within geography

How the work in Year 9 builds on work in Year 8

Although pupils cover work on topics that are largely independent of each other with regard to content, the key skills of map work, ICT and communication skills run throughout all the modules.

Useful Internet websites and other resources

1. An Atlas (at home)
2. Colouring pencils
3. www.geographyinthenews.rgs.org
4. www.googleearth.com
5. www.bbc.bitesize.co.uk