

KS4 Curriculum Plan Geography

Year 10 – New AQA GCSE 8035

Autumn Term Physical Topic 1	Topic Challenge of Natural Hazards (Tectonics, Weather and Climate Change)	Brief description Pupils will discover why earthquakes and volcanic eruptions occur and how they differ across the world. Tropical storms and why they happen will be explored. Pupils will look at the evidence for climate change and how it can be managed.
Physical Topic 2	The Living Environment (Ecosystems, Tropical Rainforests and Hot Deserts)	Pupils will look at what an ecosystem is with a particular focus on tropical rainforests and hot deserts.
Spring Term Physical Topic 3	Topic (UK Physical Landscapes, Coasts and Rivers)	Brief description Pupils will be able to locate the major upland/lowland areas of the UK. They will explore how the coastline of the UK has developed over time. Finally they will look at how rivers shape our landscape.
Summer Term Human Topic 1	Topic Urban Issues and Challenges	Brief description Pupils will investigate the reasons why so many people across the world live in cities. Opportunities and challenges of living in a city will be studied. UK cities and a focus on how they can promote sustainable urban living.
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Autumn Term Controlled Assessment	Topic Castleton (Peak District)	Brief description Pupils will complete their controlled assessment worth 25% of their final GCSE exam grade.
Physical Topic 2	Water on the Land (Rivers)	Pupils will investigate how rivers change our landscape due to erosional and depositional features. They will explore how different landforms are created.
Spring Term Physical Topic 3	Topic The Coastal Zone	Brief description Pupils will investigate how our coastline is changed by different processes of erosion. How landforms are created will be explored and coastal management will be considered.
Summer Term Revision	Topic Unit 1: Restless Earth, Water on the Land and The Coastal Zone Unit 2: Population, Changing Urban Environments and Tourism	Brief description Pupils will consolidate their learning from the past two years and complete revision lessons that will be directed by what pupils want to re-visit. Exam questions will be practiced in each lesson.