

# Geography

**Curriculum Manager:**

Mr Ebbrell

**Teaching Staff:**

Mr Kavanagh, Mr Worsfold and Mrs Parkinson

**Curriculum Overview:**

Geography in Year 10 we follow the Geography Edexcel Specification A syllabus, with pupils completing both human and physical parts of the GCSE exam course to prepare them for the Paper 1 and Paper 2 examinations in Yr11. There are three external examinations within this GCSE specification that will be all taken in Year 11. The course is content rich with a broad and interesting focus on topical and relevant Geography.

**Topic Studied- Term 1**

**Changing Cities**

Urbanisation is a global process -  
Emerging and developing countries  
Urbanisation in the UK - Case study  
'Manchester' or 'Birmingham'  
Sustainability and changes to the  
urban areas  
Emerging country example - Either  
Mexico City or any other suitable  
example

**Topic Studied – Term 2**

**Global Development**

Solving city problems across the  
world  
Ways of defining development  
Human development index and  
GNP  
Uneven development globally  
and UK  
International strategies  
Case study: India emerging  
country

**Topic studied – Term 3**

**Climate Change**

The World's Ecosystems  
Importance of Biosphere  
UK main ecosystem  
Tropical Rainforest - biodiversity  
and adaptations  
Deforestation in tropical  
rainforest  
Deciduous woodlands features  
Deciduous woodlands  
management

**Assessments:**

- Term 1: Half Term assessment on Urbanisation and End of Topic assessment at Christmas
- Term 2: Global Development assessment at Easter
- Term 3: Climate Change and End of year Paper 2 linear assessment

**Homework:**

Year 10 homework will be given out weekly and in most cases be available from 'Google Classroom', with a variety of tasks from self-assessing tests, exam styled questions, to knowledge organisers and research tasks.

**Other Useful Information:**

<https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/geography-a-2016.html> (Edexcel website)

[www.bbc.co.uk/education/geography](http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/geography)

[www.juicygeography.co.uk](http://www.juicygeography.co.uk)

[www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize) (General revision of key geographical themes)

[www.scool.co.uk](http://www.scool.co.uk) (General revision and practise assessment styled questions)