GEOGRAPHY

Lead Teacher: Mr J Hawkins

Syllabus: 8035 Exam Board: AQA

Exam Board Website: www.aqa.org.uk **Subject:** GCSE Geography

Geography GCSE content:

Pupils will study:

- **Geographical Skills** including map skills, graphical skills and fieldwork skills.
- **Physical Geography** investigating topics such as rivers, coasts, weather and climate.
- Human Geography studying topics such as population, settlement and development.
- Fieldtrips Pupils will undertake two fieldtrips: a river study in Carding Mill Valley on the Long Mynd in Shropshire and an investigation into urban regeneration in Birmingham.

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Photo from the 2019 geography fieldtrip to Carding Mill Valley.

Time Allocation:

3 x 50 minute lessons per week.

Assessment:

Geography will be assessed 100% by exam.

All the exams will be taken at the end of the course in the summer of year 11. Pupils will receive a grade between 9 and 1.

There will be three exams covering physical geography, human geography as well as fieldwork and map skills.

Pupils will go on several fieldtrips during the course. However, unlike in previous years there is no coursework or controlled assessment. Pupils will be assessed on their geographical skills in an exam.

There will also be no tiers of exam paper – e.g higher or foundation tier. All pupils will sit one common exam.

Future Education Opportunities:

A levels or equivalent in Geography, Geology, Travel & Tourism, Environmental Science. Apprenticeships for archaeological technician.

Future Career Opportunities:

- Cartographer
- Climatologist
- Conservationist
- Demographer
- Earth Scientist
- Environmental Impact Analyst
- Forestry worker
- Geographic Information System programmer
- Geologist
- Hydrologist
- Oceanographer
- Park Ranger
- Surveyor
- Teacher
- Traffic manager
- Travel agent/specialist
- Urban or regional planner
- Weather forecaster