

**Geography**

YEAR 9

Lesson(s) per week | 2

Homework per week | 1

Staff to contact:**Course content/description****6 units will be covered in year 9, 1 per half term (approximately):**

- 1. Tectonics**
- 2. Development**
- 3. Globalisation and the Fashion Industry**
- 4. China**
- 5. Lack of Water**
- 6. Ecosystems**

During the course of these units students will study a range of global, national and local geographical events and places, for example, in unit 1 students will study earthquakes and volcanic eruptions from around the world. In unit 3 students will look at how the global fashion industry can impact lives in the UK and abroad.

Assessment

Assessment will be done at the end of each unit, each assessment will be levelled using the Graveney levels for KS3 and students will set clear targets for improvement.

During the Year 9 non-core exam series pupils will sit a Geography paper lasting for 1 hour and 30 minutes with questions on units 1-4.

Books/other/materials/visits

Textbooks- Horizons 3, Geog.3 (3rd edition)

Visits- In October there will be an opportunity for Year 9 students to travel to Iceland (limited number of places, high cost, around £900) for 5 nights; this trip is offered as an optional extra and provides an amazing experience to pupils. Landscapes seen in Iceland link the tectonics unit and glaciations unit in year 7. Information and places on this trip will be offered in the spring term of year 8.

What help can be given at home?

Encourage pupils to complete all homework set to a high standard. Fostering a keen interest in the world around them is the best support for Geography outside of the classroom.

Opportunities to support pupils learning in year 9 mainly involve drawing their attention to key events globally, volcanic eruptions or earthquakes for unit 1. If shopping, looking out for codes of practice displayed in large stores such as Primark or Gap, this will link to work in unit 3.