

The Humanities Department at Wexham School
Geography Curriculum Map

| Term | Year 7 | Year 8 | Year 9 | Year 10 | Year 11 | Year 12 | Year 13 |
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| Autumn 1 | An Introduction to Geography. Define Geography. OS map, grid references and compass directions. How people are connected throughout the world. | Extreme Weather Tropical storms, tornadoes, heat waves and forest fires. Effects of different types of extreme weather. Responses to different types of extreme weather. | Economic Development LICs and HICs. Measuring country development. Extreme poverty and aid. | The Challenge of Natural Hazards Earthquakes and volcanoes. Risks and risk management. Weather and climate. | Urban Issues and Challenges Urban change and sustainability. Social, economic and environmental opportunities and challenges. | Covering the content for Paper 1 and 2 on Human and physical geography. Content on coasts. Select a fieldwork investigation to carry out independently for their fieldwork investigation enquiry. | Covering the content for Paper 1 on Physical Geography. Complete their Non-Examined Assessment. Following the AQA A level specification, we consider a combination of the following: |
| Autumn 2 | Settlements Features of rural and urban areas to include differences. Positive and negative characteristics of living in a city. Ways to improve conditions in Shanty Towns. | How can we power the future? Renewable and non-renewable energy. Comparison of the advantages and disadvantages of each source of energy. | Food and Water Management Distribution of food and water consumption globally. Factors that cause food and water insecurity. Use of water transfer schemes in the UK. | The Challenge of Natural Hazards Tropical storms, hurricanes, cyclones and typhoons. Their effect on people and the environment. Managing climate change. | The Changing Economic World Economic development and quality of life. The social, environmental and cultural change. | Following the AQA A level specification, we cover a combination of the following themes: - Changing places. - Contemporary urban environments. - Global governance. - Coastal landscapes | - Natural hazards - Water and Carbon. - NEA investigation. |
| Spring 1 | Tourism Define tourism. Different tourist locations both in the UK and international. The impacts of tourism. Sustainable management of tourism. | Study of the physical and human aspects of a region – Middle East. The main physical features in the Middle East. Challenges and opportunities for development in the Middle East. | Hot Desert Environments What it is. How plants and animals adapt to the climate. Opportunities and challenges for development in hot deserts. | The Living World Ecosystems and Biomes. Deforestation has economic and environmental impacts. Tropical rainforests need to be managed to be sustainable. | Resource Management and Energy To know the importance and impacts of Food, water and energy security. | | |
| Spring 2 | Living World – Ecosystems | Pollution and strategies to reduce it | Population Growth and Urbanization Global | The Living World | Pre-Release Booklet | | |

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| | Ecosystems and biomes around the world. Adaptations of plants and animals to the rainforest. Management and protection of ecosystems. | Types of pollution and their impact. How to reduce pollution. | population figure and explanation how/why they have changed. Rural/urban migration. | Investigate a cold environment case study. Opportunities and challenges of cold desert environments. | Released 12 weeks prior to the exam. Students will learn how to explain the topic and figures in the booklet. | | |
| Summer 1 | Africa Study of the physical and human aspects of a region – Africa Main physical features of Africa. The distribution of people in Africa. Development projects in Africa. | Study of the physical and human aspects of a region- Russia The population distribution in Russia The main physical features of Russia. Development of Russia. | Globalization and Transnational Corporations Globalization and Transnational corporations. Development of countries and sweatshops. | Physical Processes (Coasts and Rivers) Coastal and river landscapes and landforms. Different management strategies to protect these. | Revision | | |
| Summer 2 | Tectonic Hazards Earthquakes and volcanoes. Protection and prediction methods. Benefits and dangers of living in a danger zone | Study of the physical and human aspects of a region – Asia. Population, migration and physical features | Physical Processes Erosion, weathering, transportation and deposition processes. To know the course of the river. Waves along a coast and how they affect the shape of the coastline. | Geographical Fieldwork Enquiry Selecting, measuring and recording data appropriate to the chosen enquiry. Selecting appropriate ways of processing and presenting fieldwork data. | | | |