

Coombe Dean School – Curriculum Overview - Geography

Geography Curriculum Overview – Topics Covered (Years 7–11)

Year 7 – Introducing Geography and Global Awareness

- What geographers do: place, scale and fieldwork enquiry
 - Population growth and global sustainability
 - Extreme environments and human adaptations
 - Global development, worldviews and inequality
 - Africa: challenges, opportunities and futures
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Year 8 – Physical Processes, Risk and Global Connections

- UK weather systems and climate
 - Globalisation and interdependence
 - Rivers and glaciers as landscape-shaping systems
 - Volcanic hazards and risk management
 - Asia: challenges, opportunities and futures
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Year 9 – Global Challenges and GCSE Readiness

- Coastal environments and management
 - Russia: geography, power and future challenges
 - Climate change and global responses
 - The Middle East: resources, conflict and sustainability
 - Ecosystems and biomes
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Years 10–11 – GCSE Geography

- Physical Geography: natural hazards, ecosystems, rivers and coasts
 - Human Geography: urban issues, development and resource management
 - Fieldwork and geographical enquiry skills including decision making exercises
 - UK and global case studies across Europe, Africa, North and South America and Asia
 - Spring Year 11: consolidation, revision and examination preparation
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Overall Curriculum Journey

Across Years 7–11, students' progress in a spiral curriculum from **foundational geographical skills and global awareness** to **confident analysis of complex physical and human processes**, developing the knowledge, skills and critical thinking needed for GCSE success and informed engagement with the world. Geographical concepts across all years cover space, place, scale, processes, systems, patterns, interactions, sustainability and values and perspectives.