

Key Stage 3 Geography

Geography is compulsory in each year group at KS3. The subject is taught over three 50 minute lessons per two week cycle and has two homework slots (approximately 30 minutes each slot) per cycle in Year 9 and one in Years 7 and 8.

What we study

Year 7

Autumn Term:

- Introducing Geography and Exploring Britain
- OS map work skills

Spring Term

- Fantastic Places
- Rivers

Summer Term

- Settlement
- Local fieldwork investigation on traffic issues in Wakefield

Year 8

Autumn Term

- Ecosystems and Tropical rainforests
- Energy

Spring Term

- Elementary Weather

Summer Term

- Coasts
- Fieldwork investigation on coastal landforms and processes at Flamborough Head

Year 9

Autumn Term

- The Geography Detective
- Plate tectonic theory, Earthquakes and Volcanoes

Spring Term

- Globalisation
- Fieldwork investigation into settlement size and service provision in Ryedale, North Yorkshire

Summer Term

- Water on the Land - River landforms, processes and management (GCSE Module)

How is KS3 assessed?

Throughout each year there is continuous assessment through the marking of class and homework tasks

After each module of work pupils sit a common assessment task, each focusing on key geographical skills, knowledge and understanding

Each year group participates in an end of year exam which combines assessment of knowledge, understanding and key geographical skills