6.1 Geography Curriculum Content Coverage

Year 7 and 8 are taught on a one hour per week basis encompassing all the knowledge listed below as well as all the literacy, numerical and geographical skills relevant to understand and apply what has been learned. The Y7 and 8 curriculum is designed to be the building blocks in terms of knowledge, understanding and skills acquisition to sequence onto the GCSE course.

Year 7

Autumn term	Key ideas covered
	What is Geography?
	Latitude and Longitude.
	British, Europe and World Map.
	Scale and Direction.
	OS Map Symbols and 4-fig grid references.
	OS Map 6-figure GR.
	Height on maps
	Settlement Characteristics.
	Settlement Sites.
	Settlement Morphology.
	Settlement Change.
	Living in a City.
	Urban Land-use.
Spring term	Traffic Problems and Solutions.
	By-pass roads.
	LIC City: Living in Rio or Nairobi
	Farming Characteristics.
	Farming Distribution and Change.
	Arable Farming.
	LIC Farming systems.
	Food Production issues.
	Manufacturing Industry.
	HI-TECH Industry.
Summer Term	LIC Industry.
	Tourism Industry.
	Tourism Impacts.
	Tourism in a HIC.
	Tourism in a LIC.
	Weather, Climate and Measurement.
	Microclimate.
	Weather and Climate in Britain.
	Why does it rain?
	Hydrological Cycle
	Water Supply and Demand

Year 8

Autumn Term	Key ideas covered
	What is weathering?
	What is erosion and soil erosion?
	River Basins.

	Upper Course landforms.
	Middle / Lower course landforms
	River Calder Fieldwork.
	Flooding Causes.
	Flooding Case Study.
	Gap-fill and Flood Management.
	Bays and Headlands, spits and dunes.
	Coastal Erosion in Dorset.
	Coastal Defence.
Spring Term	Natural Hazards?
	Plate Tectonics.
	Volcanoes.
	Volcanic Eruptions.
	Earthquake Features / Management.
	Earthquake Case Study.
	Tropical Storms.
	Tornadoes.
	What are Ecosystems/
	TRF Physical features.
	TRF Tribal Life.
Summer Term	TRF Developments.
	What are Resources?
	Fossil Fuel use and Global Warming.
	Nuclear Energy.
	Renewable Energy.
	What is Development?
	UK / World population distribution.
	World Population Change.
	Population and Development
	Migration Case Study

All students who opt for Geography study the AQA examination

GCSE

Units of AQA Geography covered

Year 9	UNITS	
	Geographical skills	
	Coastal environments	
	River environments	
	Ecosystems	
	Tropical Rainforests	
	Hot Deserts	
Year 10	Tectonic Hazards	
	Weather Hazards	
	Climate Change	
	Urbanisation	
	NEE / LIC Urban Case Study – Rio- de Janeiro	
	HIC Urban Case Study - Manchester	
	Sustainable Urban Environments	
	Geographical Fieldwork and follow-up analysis	
	The Development Gap	
Year 11	NEE / LIC Economy Case Study - Nigeria	

HIC Economy Case Study - UK
Managing Resources
Energy Management
Issue Evaluation
Revision an d Exam Technique

GCSE students spend 2.5 hrs per week on average covering all content, skills and application aspects of the course from Y9-11 to prepare for the exams which are all summative at the end of Y11.