



St Benedict's Catholic School

The Catholic Secondary School for West Suffolk

Geography Curriculum Guide

Year 11

Exam Board: Edexcel A

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<https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/geography-a-2016.html>

Autumn Taught Content

UK Challenges

This unit aims to consolidate the entire GCSE through a series of synoptic investigations where they draw together everything they have learned to answer questions on challenges for the UK. Challenges for the UK include resource management, sustainability, inequality, migration, landscapes and climate change. Pupils develop their analytical skills and develop coherent and balanced arguments.

Revision

In the second half-term pupils revise for paper 1 The Physical Environment and paper 3 Geographical Investigations: UK Challenges and Fieldwork with a focus on the physical geography questions. Pupils will revise and practise exam style questions to ensure they are fully prepared for the exam season.

Spring Taught Content

Urban Fieldwork

Pupils will carry out their urban fieldwork in Norwich. They will decide upon an investigation question based on the secondary evidence they research and devise surveys to carry out primary research on the day. Pupils will then present and analyse their data to draw conclusions and evaluations. Pupils will present their findings in a presentation to the class.

Revision

In the second half-term pupils revise for paper 2 The Human Environment and paper 3 Geographical Investigations with a focus on questions relating to human geography and fieldwork. Pupils will revise and practise exam style questions to ensure they are fully prepared for the exam season.

Summer Taught Content

Revision and Exams

Pupils will continue to revise across the three exam papers in preparation for their exams.

Assessment

There are 2 assessments per half-term, the first is a marked piece of work, it could be a poster, presentation or a written answer. The second is a more formal end of unit exam.

Homework Expectations

Homework is set every 2 weeks.

Reading List

	Support	Stretch	Challenge
Geology	Geology for Kids: A Junior Scientist's Guide to Rocks, Minerals, and the Earth Beneath Our Feet Paperback – Illustrated, 8 Sept. 2020 by Meghan Vestal	"Freaky Peaks"- Anita Ganeri (Horrible Geography)	The Geology of Britain: An Introduction by Peter Toghil
Coasts	"Cracking Coasts"- Anita Ganeri (Horrible Geography)	Rivers and Coasts	"Cracking Coasts"- Anita Ganeri (Horrible Geography)
Rivers	"Raging Rivers"- Anita Ganeri (Horrible Geography)	Rivers and Coasts	"Raging Rivers"- Anita Ganeri (Horrible Geography)
Weather Hazards and Climate Change	"Exodus"- Julie Bertagna The Incredible	"No One Is Too Small to Make a Difference"- Greta Thunberg	"The discovery of global warming"- Spencer Weart
Ecosystems	Ecosystems of Planet Earth - Rachel Ignatofsky	Life on Earth – David Attenborough	"Demons in Eden"- Jonathan W. Silvertown
Changing Cities	Geography of the World: The Essential	"Boy in the tower"- Polly Ho Yen	Arrival City: How the Largest

	Family Guide to Geography and Culture		Migration in History is Reshaping Our World - Doug Saunders
Global Development	Geography of the World: The Essential Family Guide to Geography and Culture	History of World Trade in Maps- Phillip Parker	'The Almighty Dollar - Dharshini David
Resource Management	"The Solar Revolution: One World. One Solution. Providing the Energy and Food for 10 Billion People."- Steve McKevitt and Tony Ryan	"There Is No Planet B: A Handbook for the Make or Break Years"- Mike Berners-Lee	"The Switch: How solar, storage and new tech means cheap power for all"- Chris Goodall
Fieldwork	Geographical Skills and Fieldwork for Edexcel GCSE (9-1) Geography A and B (Edexcel A&B GCSE Geography) by Steph Warren		

Extra and Super Curricular Opportunities

Revision sessions are held weekly afterschool. Pupils undertake coastal fieldwork at Walton-on-the-Naze to investigate coastal management.