

KS4 COURSE OPTIONS

Course Title	Year 10 Geography
Course Description	Year 10 will be the second year of the GCSE course. Students will study 4 of the 6 topics this year. Throughout the year they will be using geographical skills to develop exam technique. We will also be carrying out the fieldwork this year.
Course Content (Term 1,2,3 etc.)	Term 1 – Coasts and coastal landscapes. Term 2 – Resources with a focus on global energy supply. Term 3 – Rivers and landscapes. Term 4 – Rivers fieldwork and write up. Term 5 – Urban environments Term 6 – Town study carried out and written up.
Extra-Curricular Opportunities	Every student studying geography will take part in at least two days out in the field. They will practise a range of fieldwork techniques and apply their understanding out of the classroom.
Useful Websites	www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/geography www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/geography
Important Information	The GCSE course requires students to appreciate how different aspects of the world around them interlink and the role human and physical features have on a variety of scales. A geography student must show the relevant skills to carry out fieldwork and analyse data effectively.
Provision For Most Able	Built in to each lesson is exam technique work which provides realistic opportunities for students to learn how to tackle a variety of exam questions. This will be as long exam questions after a certain theme or as data response question at the start of the lessons. After each topic they will be examined on past GCSE papers to make them familiar with the structure of the questions. The most able will be provided with mark schemes and guidance to achieve the top level answers.
Assessment	Students will be required to undertake actual GCSE questions throughout the year which will be marked to GCSE criteria. There will also be formal end of unit tests which require multiple questions to be done under timed conditions.