**S3 Geography**

**COURSE CONTENT – What will I learn?**

The aim of Geography is to learn about the world around you – People and the environment. The course will focus on a local and global variety of human and physical aspects that make up our diverse planet. You will develop the knowledge and skills that you learned in S1 and S2. We believe that the events and themes covered in the study of these topics are fundamental to understanding the world we live in today.

The skills that you will learn through this course will be useful to you at college, university or in work, but will also enable you to become a **responsible** **citizen** and an **effective** **contributor** in our modern world.

During the S3 course you will be studying a total of three units:

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| **Weather** – **Weather**  Explore the difference between Climate and Weather, investigating microclimates around the school and exploring extreme weather events. | Weather Instruments Clipart Free |

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| Vegetable Farming Organic Food Clip Art - Fruit - Farm Chickens And ... | **Food and Farming** –  Where does your food come from? what problems are caused by a growing population that requires more food? What choices can we make that will help solve these problems? |

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| **Survival in South America** – What are some of the problems faced in South American countries? Looking in more detail about Drugs in Peru, Guerrilla's in Colombia, Favelas in Rio and Salt Flats in Bolivia. | Clip Art Flag Of South America - South America Map Small, HD Png ... |

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| Population clipart 20 free Cliparts | Download images on Clipground 2025 | **Human Environments**  This unit is part of the National 5 course.  Urban: Recent Changes to Edinburgh and the reasons for these changes, in contrast to Shanty towns in Dharavi, India.  Rural: Recent changes to farming in the UK and in ELDC’s  Population: Where people live and why, reasons for differences in birth rates, death rates and life expectancy between ELDC and EMDC countries. |

**TEACHING METHODS – How will I learn?**

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| In the Geography department we use a variety of teaching methods. You will be working as an individual much of the time, but often in pairs, groups or as a whole class.  You will be asked to complete a wide range of tasks, including written tasks, presentations, posters, role-plays, debates and online research.  Your teachers will make your learning as active and fun as possible. iPads will also be used and integrated into our learning as much as possible. | Geography Class Clip Art |

**ASSESSMENT AND HOMEWORK**

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| students working together clipart law pic team work 2 | emmauswylie | Group  work, Cooperative learning, Collaborative learning | Assessment in Geography will focus on your knowledge and understanding, as well as thinking skills and research, evaluation and presentation skills. There will be opportunities to show what you have learned in a variety of ways including reports, newspaper articles, ICT work and, at times, end of topic tests.  Regular homework will be set, increasing as the course progresses. Geography department resources are available via Teams and One Note, both of which can be accessed at home via iPads. |

Students are encouraged to develop their interest in the past and find out more about the topics we study. This can be done by reading books, listening to podcasts or watching documentaries or videos online. We can highly recommend Horrible Histories (Books, TV and songs) and the BBC podcast ‘You’re Dead to Me’.

**PATHWAYS AFTER S3 GEOGRAPHY**

Students can continue to study Geography by taking N4/5 Geography, Travel and Tourism or N3/N4 Social Subjects. In S5/6 students can study Geography at Higher and Advanced Higher.