

Key Stage 3 - Geography



What do these pictures show? You will find out the answers when you study Geography at St. Thomas More.

Starting in year 7, you will learn important key geographical skills as well as interactions between the human and physical environment.

Below is a summary of the course.

Aims:

- To develop pupils' geographical skills through careful selection, interpretation and evaluation of a variety of types of geographical evidence.
- To develop an understanding of the world around us in its local, national and international dimensions through studies of key geographical processes.

Course Outline:

Approx. Timings	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Sept-Oct	Making and mapping connections	Population and urbanisation	Natural and tectonic hazards
Oct- Dec	Making and mapping connections/Rivers and hydrology	Population and urbanisation/Coasts	Natural and tectonic hazards/urban issues and challenges
Dec - Feb	Rivers and hydrology	Coasts	urban issues and challenges
Feb - April	Coping with floods	Economic activity and its sectors	Ecosystems (tropical rainforests)
April - June	Rocks, weathering and soil	Glaciation	Ecosystems (tropical rainforests)/The challenge of resource management
June - July	Africa case study	Asia case study	The challenge of resource management

Assessment

Pupils have a written assessment at the end of each unit, as well as a formal examination during exam week in year 7, 8 and 9. Progress is reported to parents through interim and full written reports and discussed at Parent's evenings. Targets are recorded and reviewed in planners after each unit.