



Wingfield Geography – Year 7 Curriculum

Geography Composite: 1. Understanding Place

Year 7, Term 1

Underpinning geographical knowledge and understanding are geographical skills.

Confident use of maps at a range of scales, handling data and understanding place is invaluable for how students engage with and belong in their world. This unit focuses on these skills, applying them to a relatively local location, Castleton in The Peak District. Through geographical fieldwork, students develop these fundamental skills, which then support learning in subsequent topics from Y7 to Y11, deepening their understanding of place.

Using data to draw evidence-based conclusions and make sustainable decisions is central to becoming a successful lifelong learner. We also explore the UK's major features and National Parks in more detail, strengthening students' knowledge of their own country and inspiring them to explore new places.

Geography Composite: 2. Does the world need Superpowers?

Year 7, Term 2

This topic supports our geographers' understanding of the world in which we live and belong.

Students will investigate the reasons behind the global dominance of countries, considering factors such as demography, culture, military, economics, and politics. These themes are explored through in-depth locational learning, including examples like China, Russia, and Antarctica. The knowledge gained underpins learning from Y8 to Y11, linking concepts such as development, resources, and globalisation and allowing students to explore global power, inequality, and the impact of political, economic and environmental decisions, while developing the skills to understand events and make informed judgements.

Through data handling and an understanding of place, students analyse how power shapes the success of regions and countries. A solid grasp of current affairs and broader political concepts enables students of all backgrounds to build cultural capital and a global awareness of where and how they fit in the world.

Composite: 3. Our awesome world

Year 7, Term 3

Exploring and comparing global locations and landscapes helps our geographers develop confidence in understanding their world.

Through a longitudinal journey, students learn to compare places and appreciate how their own experiences relate to others, investigating the diversity and richness of the world around them. This approach enables learners from our community to engage with wider contexts, deepening their understanding of place and fostering a sense of global awareness.