

### Key Stage 3 Geography Curriculum Overview

Geography is fundamental for students to understand their place and the complex nature of our world. At FAW, the Geography Department aims to develop students' understanding through a knowledge-rich curriculum in a way that engages and inspires. Students learn about the physical and human processes that underpin our world. The curriculum follows a spiral structure that introduces students to challenging geographical vocabulary and concepts which are revisited at increasing complexities as students progress through KS3. Lessons are sequenced carefully to allow students to organise and attach new knowledge to knowledge that has been previously learnt, thus expanding their schema.

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
<b>7</b>	<b>UK Geography</b>				<b>UK Geography European Geography</b>	<b>European Geography</b>
	Key concepts include latitude, longitude, seasons and the UK.	Key concepts include climate and latitude.	Key concepts include mountains, rivers, oceans and seas.	Key concepts include coastlines, islands, settlement, population and industry.	Key concepts include: latitude, longitude, seasons, farming, trade, environmental features and factors.	Key concepts include: oceans, seas, coastlines, islands, the structure of the Earth, mountains, glaciation, volcanoes, earthquakes, water cycle and rivers.
<b>8</b>	<b>European Geography</b>		<b>World Geography</b>			
	Key concepts include volcanoes, earthquakes, water cycle, rivers climate and settlement.	Key concepts include the European Union, industry and environmental features and factors.	Key concepts include maps, seasons, time zones, latitude, longitude, the structure of the Earth and the rock cycle.	Key concepts include mountains, glaciation, volcanoes, earthquakes and tsunamis.	Key concepts include rivers, climate, climate zones, settlement and migration.	Key concepts include settlement, land use, development, trade and environmental features and factors.
<b>9</b>	<b>Chinese World</b>	<b>Tourist World</b>	<b>Extreme World</b>	<b>Kenyan World</b>	<b>Future World</b>	

### Key Stage 4 Geography Curriculum Overview

The AQA GCSE course studies geography in a balanced framework of physical and human themes and investigates the link between them. Students will travel the world from their classroom, exploring case studies in the United Kingdom (UK), higher income countries (HICs), newly emerging economies (NEEs) and lower income countries (LICs). Topics of study include climate change, poverty, deprivation, global shifts in economic power and the challenge of sustainable resource use. Students are also encouraged to understand their role in society, by considering different viewpoints, values and attitudes. Upon completion of the course, students will have the skills and experience to progress onto A-level and beyond.

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
<b>10</b>	Natural hazards (including tectonic hazards)  Urban issues and challenges	Urban issues and challenges	Urban issues and challenges	River landscapes in the UK	Resource management	Ecosystems and tropical rainforests
<b>11</b>	Weather hazards and climate change  Changing economic world	Changing economic world  Fieldwork	Coastal landscapes of the UK  Cold environments	Ecosystems and tropical rainforests  Issues evaluation  Fieldwork	Revision	Exams

## Key Stage 5 Geography Curriculum Overview

The AQA A level course will excite students' minds, challenge perceptions and stimulate their investigative and analytical skills. Units of study reflect the world today as well as those more traditionally taught. The course studies aspects of physical geography (e.g. water and carbon cycles, hot deserts and landscapes, coastal systems and ecosystems). The course studies aspects of human geography (e.g. global systems and governance, changing places, urban environments, population and resource security). Students will complete a fieldwork investigation. The course will be taught by two members of staff simultaneously each covering separate units.

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
<b>12</b>	Water and carbon cycles  Global systems and global governance	Water and carbon cycles  Global systems and global governance	Water and carbon cycles  Global systems and global governance	Coastal systems and landscapes  Changing places	Coastal systems and landscapes  Changing places	Coastal systems and landscapes  Changing places  Geographic fieldwork investigation and skills
<b>13</b>	Geographic fieldwork investigation and skills	Hazards  People and the environment	Hazards  People and the environment	Hazards  People and the environment	Revision	Exams