

The Geography curriculum

Geography curriculum vision

The Geography curriculum at Barr's Hill school has been designed to engage and inspire pupils through the development of geographical knowledge and skills. The framework develops pupils intellectually as well as producing students who are real Geographers. The curriculum is pinned upon the overriding principles within Geography, and are meticulously developed throughout the key stages. Barr's Hill Geographers believe the key geographical principles are; earth systems and process, demography, development and sustainability. Within these key principles, pupils develop the ability to apply their knowledge and find solutions to complex geographical enquires and real life scenarios as well as in unfamiliar situations. Pupils gain a world vision and understand the relationship they have with the wider world around them as well as the relationships the world has upon themselves. The Geography curriculum also ensures that pupils are well equipped with the crucial skills and knowledge that are essential for a wide range of careers.

Key stage 3 – Units of study

Term	Year 7 (rotation based)	Year 8	Year 9
1	Geographical Skills & Weather Hazards	Environmental Issues- Oceans	Blood Sweat and Tears
2	Tectonic Hazards	Environmental Issues- Forests	Geographies of Conflict
3	Climate change: how is the world changing and why?	Environmental Issues- Minerals	History rotation
4	Climate change: how can we manage climate change?	Population and development	History rotation
5	Fieldwork & Geographical Skills	Population and Migration	Begin GCSE content GCSE Unit 1- Living World
6	UK Physical Landscapes: Coasts		GCSE Unit 1- Living World

Key stage 4 – Units of study Geography (9-1) AQA 8035

Term	Year 10	Year 11
1	Unit 2 Urban Issues	Unit 4: Natural Hazards (Climate Change)
2	Unit 2 Urban Issues fieldwork	Unit 5: Changing Economic World
3	Unit 3 Physical Landscapes (Rivers & Coasts options)	Unit 6: Resource Management (food option)
4	Unit 3 Physical Landscapes (Rivers & Coasts options) fieldwork	Revision
5	Unit 4: Natural Hazards (tectonic hazards)	Revision
6	Unit 4: Natural Hazards (weather hazards)	

Key stage 5 – Units of study A Level Geography AQA 7037

Term	Year 12	Year 13
1	Global Governance, & Water and Carbon Cycles	Population and the environment & Hazards
2	Global Governance & Water and Carbon Cycles	Population and the environment & Coasts
3	Changing Place & Hazards	Population and the environment & Coasts
4	Hazards & Changing Places	Revision
5	Geography fieldwork investigation & Hazards	Revision
6	Geography fieldwork investigation & Hazards	

Supporting your child with their learning?

The following links will support additional learning to your child. Look out for the Barr's Hill Geography students who supported the BBC in their Geography online platform videos!

Year 7 Unit	Additional Learning
Geographical Skills	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/courses/zpn8wnb
Weather Hazards	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zx38q6f
Tectonic Hazards	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/courses/zgrmtrd
Climate Change	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/courses/ztrd8hv https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zx38q6f/articles/z773ydm
Fieldwork	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/courses/z3gxtrd
Coasts	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z6bd7ty

Year 8 Unit	Additional Learning
Oceans	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zjsc87h/articles/z72q7yc https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/courses/ztrd8hv
Forests	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/ztgw2hv/articles/zhh6trd https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/ztgw2hv/articles/zppthcw
Minerals	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zjsc87h/articles/z3bgvwx https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zjsc87h/articles/zjp3vwx
Population & Development	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/courses/zktyf82 https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/courses/z33qm39 https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zg7nvcw/articles/zxv4cmn
Population & Migration	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zg7nvcw/articles/zgrbg7h

Year 9 Unit	Additional Learning
Blood Sweat & Tears	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/courses/zkdfvwx
Geographies of Conflict	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zjsc87h/articles/zjqwjsjg https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/courses/zxssydm https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/courses/zj9tn9q https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zpcqxnz
GCSE Living World	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z2tqwxs

Year 10 Unit	Additional Learning
Urban Issues	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z9wcg82
Physical Landscapes: Rivers & Coasts	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zpypgdm https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zs3ptyc
Natural Hazards	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zcdrbk7

Year 11 Unit	Additional Learning
Changing Economic World	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zg93ycw
Resource Management: Food	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zybnhv4