A Level Geography (OCR)

What does this course involve?
Geography is an essential component in preparing young people for life in the twenty-first century. As the pace of change quickens, communications get faster and challenges to the environment multiply, a knowledge and understanding of geography is more vital than ever. Geography is unique in its study of human and physical patterns and the interaction of people and their environment in shaping the landscape. To supplement our A Level course, we offer a huge range so Super - Curricular opportunities including on-line lectures from universities such as Sheffield and UAE. We also expect all students to participate in our micro-lecture programme sponsored by the Royal Geographical Society.



Fieldwork is central to geography at King's and within the OCR specification we study. Geography is the study of the real world and therefore students have the opportunity to immerse themselves in a range of different environments. All students are required to attend a four-day residential fieldwork course in the Yorkshire Wolds to practice their skills in the field, which in 2024 took place in July and cost £375. There is also an option to join us in Iceland in March 2025, costing a maximum of £1,400 for an exciting and packed 5-day tour.

We are considered by universities to be a facilitating subject, supporting study in most other academic and vocational courses. But an advanced Geography qualification will place you in a very employable position, with a wide breadth of skills and knowledge. Whether you consider yourself stronger at the Humanities or the Sciences, Geography is an excellent companion to your other courses. We encourage students to discuss topical issues, analyse data and to search for patterns. These transferable skills are obviously very desirable and would make you a strong applicant for careers law, accountancy, architecture and a full range of other choices including medicine. Geographers have a very high employability rate due to the increasing demand from our UK's growing green economy.

What will I study?
Three units are examination based. There is one piece of coursework:

- Unit 1: Tectonic Processes and Hazards; Coastal Landscapes and Change; The Water Cycle and Water Insecurity; The Carbon Cycle.
- Unit 2: Globalisation; Regenerating Places; Superpowers Global Development and Connections; Migration, Identity and Sovereignty.
- Unit 3: Synoptic Themes.
- Unit 4: Coursework.
- Fieldwork.

How is the course assessed?
A Level Geography is assessed by examination and coursework.
All A Level examinations are taken in June of Year 13.