

Subject Information Options 2015-17

Below is useful information from departments that should be used to help choose your option subjects. If you require any further information please speak to the member of staff responsible for the subject.

Option Subjects

		Subject
		Geography
	Exam Board	WJEC
	Syllabus number	4240
	Member of staff responsible	Miss E Conrad
	Accreditation	GCSE
Exam Information	How many?	2
	When taken?	Summer Year 11
	Percentage of final mark	75%
Coursework Information	How many?	None
	When taken?	
	Percentage of final mark	
Controlled Assignment Information	How many?	1
	When taken?	October to December Year 11
	Percentage of final mark	25%
Brief outline of subject		<p>Students study three themes consisting of:</p> <p>Theme 1: Challenges of living in a built environment.</p> <p>Theme 2: People and the natural world interactions</p> <p>Theme 3: People, work and development.</p> <p>You will study themes 1 & 2 in Year 10 and then theme 3 in Year 11</p> <p>Exams are taken in the Summer of Year 11 and students will have two exams based on the three themes and one problem solving paper. Controlled assessment is worth 25% and involves a day's field study collecting information and data about a local geographical issue and then writing up their findings.</p>
Characteristic of students who succeed in this subject		<p>Geography is a subject that is accessible to all as it is studying the world around you, how it is changing and what the future holds for our built and natural environment.</p> <p>Students who excel in Geography are those who question their surroundings and are curious to find out why the world is changing and who these changes will affect.</p>
Relevant information that may be important		<p>The assessments students complete in Year 9 are very good indicators of how well they might perform in the GCSE.</p> <p>Please see Miss Conrad, Mrs Parnell or Ms Tyler for more details.</p>
Advisory Entry Level Requirements		<p>Students need to be reaching a level 6C minimum at the end of Year 9 as this demonstrates that students show an aptitude for Geography and can explain data, geographical processes and events.</p>