GEOGRAPHY
SENIOR CYCLE

The Senior Cycle Geography programme is designed to build geographical understanding, critical thinking, and real-world inquiry skills, the updated curriculum places strong emphasis on active learning, contemporary global issues, and student-led investigation. The programme aims to develop informed, responsible global citizens who can interpret complex spatial patterns and environmental challenges.

Why pick geography?

Students have the opportunity to explore foundational ideas such as:

- ☑ **Space, place, and scale** – understanding how physical and human processes interact across local, national, and global contexts.
- ☑ **Patterns and processes** – examining why landscapes, populations, and economic systems develop the way they do.
- ☑ **Environmental change** – analysing climate systems, sustainability challenges, and human impacts on the planet.
- ☑ **Fieldwork** remains a cornerstone of the programme, with students expected to engage in at least one substantial investigation. This may involve river studies, urban surveys, coastal analysis, or climate-related research.

What You Will Study

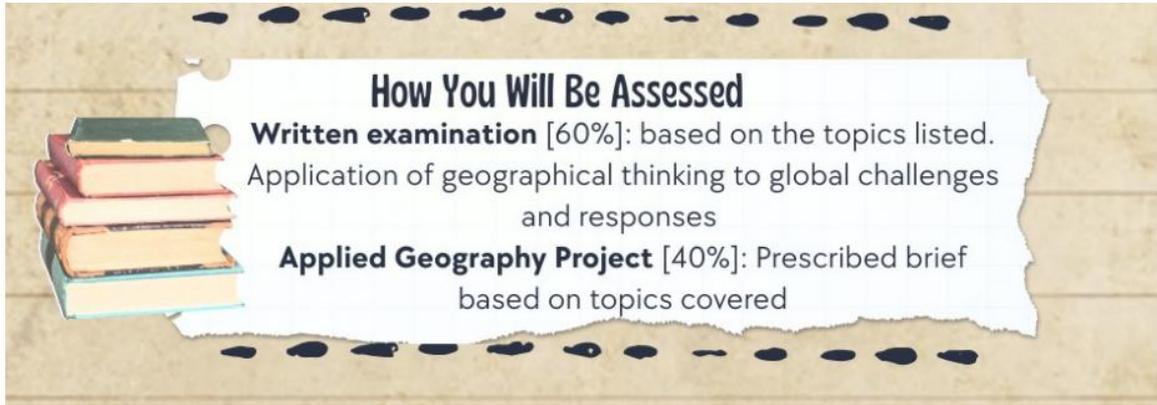| The Physical Environment	The Human Environment	The Connected Environment
Plate Tectonics Mountain Ranges Volcanoes Earthquakes Rocks Natural resources Rivers Glaciers Coasts Weather Climate	Human settlement Population Migration	Agriculture Tourism Trade Aid Human development Geopolitics European Union Territory dispute

How You Will Study

- ☑ Recognising physical features in photographs, diagrams and maps.
- ☑ Short essays describing processes, patterns, connections, etc
- ☑ Reading and inferring information from graphs, charts, maps, photographs
- ☑ Gathering, interpreting, using and reporting information.

How You Will Be Assessed

Written examination [60%]: based on the topics listed. Application of geographical thinking to global challenges and responses

Applied Geography Project [40%]: Prescribed brief based on topics covered

Powerpoint presented to Students linked HERE