

What will Year 7 students learn and how many lessons will they have each week?

In year 7 students will have two Geography lessons per week. They will look at the environmental issues facing Watling Academy, understand how the physical and human landscapes are interconnected in Africa, discover if we are doing enough to protect our natural resources, analyse how populations are changing before studying weather and climate.

What will Year 7 students need to bring with them to lessons?

Students will need:

- An Exercise book (provided by the school in their first lesson)
- Homework booklet (provided by the school in their first lesson)
- Blue/Black biro/ink-pen
- Pencil
- Ruler

Will Year 7 students have homework in this subject? How much?

Homework is as important as your class work. Students will receive one piece of homework a week. This will either be:

- A written task
- An online task
- Revision for assessments

How can I support my child at home with their learning in this subject?

Firstly, even if you are not a Geography expert, please do not worry. You can still help. Initially, it is great if you can please check their homework once they have finished. Please read through the task and check to see whether they have included the information requested. Have they completed the 'challenge' (extension) task? If they are preparing for a test, you can help by asking them questions relating to the topic. Please challenge them to give as much detail as possible.

What opportunities are there for further study and careers in this subject?

As a facilitating subject, Geography provides students with a range of skills that are beneficial to future study and careers. Students will learn how to investigate, analyse, conclude, represent data, conduct primary and secondary research. These problem-solving skills are beneficial to any future career. In terms of future careers, students who enjoy the physical aspect of Geography could look to pursue careers as environmental consultants, meteorologists (weather forecasters), cartographers, Geologists, which is often beneficial if they would like to work in the energy industry. Those who enjoy the human and environmental side of geography may look to pursue careers as planners and surveyors or work in the travel and tourism industry.

Are there any trips planned?

Organising trips is something that we are passionate about. If it is safe to do so, we will look to organise visits, as this is particularly important in order for students to complete primary fieldwork.