

KS4 Geography

At The Palmer Catholic Academy, we believe learning powerful knowledge helps students achieve and creates a fairer society. Powerful Knowledge is described as knowledge which enriches students' lives and creates a fairer society by providing students with intellectual power. It is knowledge which supports students in engaging with the world and communicating with people regardless of background or social standing.

In our Geography curriculum we aim to encourage students to take an interest in the world around us. Topics aim to promote discussion about current (and future) events impacting on people in the UK and around the world. We want students to take an interest in how physical features have been created so that they engage with the world around us, and how these features will change in the future. We want students to show empathy towards those in different economic situations and understand the power that individuals have to change their own situations and that of others. We want students to develop a love of the world and want to travel and explore new places outside of their comfort zones. Essentially, we want students to biome global citizens who care about the world around them and appreciate that they have the power to change it for the better.

	AUTUMN TERM	SPRING TERM	SUMMER TERM
Yr10	Context: Development Dynamics • What is the scale of global inequality and how can it be reduced? Context: Development Dynamics • How is ONE of the world's emerging countries managing to develop?	Context: Hazardous Earth pt1 • How does the world's climate system function, why does it change and how can this be hazardous for people? • How are extreme weather events increasingly hazardous for people? Context: Hazardous Earth pt2 • Why do the causes and impacts of tectonic activity and management of tectonic hazards vary with location? Paper 1 Revision in preparation for mock exam Context: Challenges of an urbanising World • What are the causes and challenges of rapid urban change? Context: Challenges of an urbanising World • Why does quality of life vary so much within ONE megacity in a developing country Context: Development Dynamics	Context: The UK's evolving physical landscape Why does the physical landscape of the UK vary from place to place? Why is there a variety of distinctive coastal landscapes in the UK and what are the processes that shape them? What are the challenges for coastal landscapes and communities and why is there conflict? Why is there a variety of river landscapes in the UK and what are the processes that shape them? What are the challenges for river landscapes, people and property and how can they be managed? Investigating coastal change and conflict Investigate the impact of coastal management on coastal processes and communities Fieldwork enquiry trip to Walton-on-the-Naze.



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8 mark question, GCSE question with peer assess,	Paper 1 Mock exam in June in addition to 8 mark question,	8 mark question, GCSE Question with peer
Assess homework with DIRT and Feedback,	GCSE question with Peer assess, Assess homework with DIRT	assessment, Assess homework with DIRT and
Summative EOU test	and Feedback, Summative EOU test	Feedback, Summative EOU test



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	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
	Context: Consuming energy resources	Paper 1 revision for mock exam in March	Exam revision
Yr11	 How can the growing demand for energy be met without serious environmental consequences? 	 Context: Challenges of an urbanising World What are the causes and challenges of rapid urban change? 	Year 11 Study leave
	Paper 2 revision for mock exam in November The UK's evolving human landscape Why are places and people changing in the UK?	Context: Challenges of an urbanising World Why does quality of life vary so much within ONE megacity in a developing country Context: Development Dynamics	
	 How is ONE major UK city changing? 	Context: Hazardous Earth	
	Context: Geographical investigations	Paper 3 revision for mock exam in March Context: Forests under threat	
	Fieldwork enquiry trip to London.	 What are the threats to forest biomes and how can they be reduced? 	
	Paper 2 mock exam November. 8 mark with peer assessment, Assess homework with DIRT and Feedback, Summative EOU test	Paper 3 mock exam and paper 1 mock exam. March Past paper practice	