Landau Learner Curriculum Overview

Subject: Geography Director of Learning: Miss C Barnett Year: 8

Curriculum organisation

Year 8 students experience four Geography sessions across the two week timetable. The curriculum is designed to build on knowledge from KS2 and year 7 and expose our students to global, national and local geographical issues.

Term 1: Africa vs Asia	Term 2: Climate change	Term 3 – Middle East	Term 4 – Rivers and Flooding	Term 5 - Water
Understand key Human and physical features in both continents Understand tectonic Hazards in both continents Students will be able to explain the reasons for varying levels of development in and between both continent Link to the KS3 National Curriculum Human and physical geography relating to plate tectonics. Extend locational knowledge and deepen their spatial awareness with a focus of Africa, Asia Link to prior learning (KS2) Physical geography, including volcanoes and earthquakes	Students will understand the term climate change. Students will look at the human and physical causes of climate change. Students will then look at the impacts of a changing climate on people, places and the environment. Students will look at the responses to climate change. Link to the KS3 National Curriculum Human and physical geography relating to weather and climate over geological timescales.	Students will understand the location and the key human and physical features. Explain the climate of the Middle East. Explain population density Understand the varying levels of development. Understand the conflict in countries such as Yemen and how different types of aid is needed. Links to KS3 national curriculum Locational knowledge of the Middle East. Human geography relating to: population and urbanisation; international development	 Water cycle including stores and flows Drainage basin Physical processes: erosion, transportation and deposition River landforms along a river Flooding – causes, impacts and strategies Links to KS3 national curriculum rocks, weathering and soils; weather and climate, hydrology.	Understand the concepts of supply and demand How physical processes mean some areas are naturally water scarce How human activities e.g. over abstraction are leading to water scarcity and the impacts of this. How this can lead to desertification Links to KS3 national curriculum understand how human and physical processes interact to influence, and change landscapes, environments and the climate; and how human activity relies on effective functioning of natural systems

Equipment needed for sessions:	What can you do to support your child?
 Geography exercise book Fully equipped pencil case including a calculator. 	 Wider reading around geographical issues e.g. Newspaper articles Encourage your child to read/watch/listen to the news on a daily basis and discuss these current affairs with them. Encourage them to complete the homework tasks.
How will learning be assessed and progress measured?	Extension and enrichment activities:
 Marking of written is carried out on a regular basis in line with the College policy Three assessment windows throughout the year Regular peer and self-marking. 	-Fieldwork project