

Geography at Stopsley School looks at the key global issues that are having an impact today and which will affect all our futures. Throughout the Key Stages Geography helps provide students with a greater awareness of how we behave, emphasising the importance of the relationship between people in different countries, their impact on the environment and on each other. Geography develops a wide range of skills that employer's value – it links the arts with the sciences. Fieldwork forms an integral part of the course.

Importantly the Geography department helps students to develop key cross-curricular skills that helps improve student's ability to decipher key exam rubric. Examples of these skills include: analytical skills, comparative writing, evaluation and persuasive writing.

“Geography graduates are highly employable”

The Times Educational Supplement

Autumn 1	Key Geographical Skills – how to use resources effectively
Autumn 2	Resources and the Environment – How do we affect our planet? How can we manage our environment in a sustainable manner?
Spring 1	Exploring Africa and Kenya – What are the key human and physical features of Africa? How sustainable is our activity in this vast continent?
Spring 2	Rivers – How do rivers shape our land? How do rivers affect people? How do we manage rivers in a sustainable way?
Summer 1	Economic Activity – How do different countries make money? What are hi-tech industries?
Summer 2	Decision Making Skills – Evaluation of a key geographical issue and making robust sustainable decisions with supporting evidence

All units assessed by one piece of extended writing, an end of unit test and key pieces of classwork

Recommended reading/Revision tools-

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zrw76sg>

<http://www.coolgeography.co.uk/>