# Why Choose GCSE Geography?

**Geography** will give you the opportunity to find out about a range of places in the UK, Europe and elsewhere in the world by investigating ideas, developing your own opinions and reaching decisions using map skills, fieldwork research and ICT. You will explore the ways in which natural processes have produced different landscapes and how people interact with them, observing how people can act together to prevent the total destruction of these environments. You will discover how people are affected by the action and decision-making of others locally, nationally and globally and the importance of sustainability when making decisions about how places and environments should be managed.



The nature of the work varies according to the topic studied. The necessity of using the internet to access up to date information is key to all topics. Decision making activities form an important part of the course, achieved through interpreting graphs, maps and photographs. You will also have the opportunity to participate in debates and group work activities. A compulsory part of the course is the participation in fieldtrips. Throughout GCSE Geography, you will develop a wide range of skills that will enhance your ability to interpret information as well as making decisions.







# At Alun School,

our experienced teaching team provide expert guidance and tuition.

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### **Assessment Information**

#### Examining Board: WJEC Accreditation: GCSE Grades A\* - G

**Unit 1** - **Changing Physical and Human Landscapes:** investigates Landscapes and Physical Processes, Rural and Urban Change, and Living in an Active Zone - earthquakes and volcanoes. (1 hour 30 minutes written examination that makes up 40% of the qualification)

Unit 2 - Environmental and Development Issues: investigates Weather, Climate and Ecosystems, and Development and Resource Issues.

(1 hour 30 minutes written examination that makes up 40% of the qualification)

Unit 3 - Fieldwork Enquiry: you will carry out two fieldwork enquiries.

(2 hours 30 minutes non-examination assessment involving a class time written report that makes up 20% of the qualification)

# Who is suitable for this course?

You will be successful and enjoy this course if you are interested in people and places. Ideally, you will be interested in what is happening in the world today and how management decisions will affect life in the future.

## Why should I take this course?

Geography is an academic subject with a firm grounding in the real world and the skills that you will develop are highly regarded by universities and employers.

GCSE Geography will give you an excellent grounding for multiple career opportunities within:



#### **Future Options**

After studying GCSE Geography you could: Study Advanced Level Geography at Sixth Form; Study for a degree in a geography-related course or other subject at university; Get a job within the field of geography.

#### **For Further Information**

Please contact the Geography department.