

# GEOGRAPHY

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Student year: **Upper 3 (Yr 7)**

Head of Department: **Miss K Williamson**

## SUBJECT OVERVIEW

In this first year of the KS3 course, students understand what the subject is all about and learn many of the skills they need for their future studies. Students undertake urban fieldwork around Exeter and on the River Dart.

Subject / Topic	Skills / Attitudes
<p><b>My Patch</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Who do you think you are? Questioning Geographical identity. What makes a good geographer? Thinking about amazing places. Identifying local geographical features and developing place knowledge. Scales/grid references/ distance and direction/height.</li></ul> <p><b>My Patch</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>What are the ingredients of good living spaces? Creating a sustainable settlement. Thinking about land use. Problems in LEDC cities and finding solutions.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Using text/writing good English/ discussing ideas.</li><li>Drawing climate graphs</li><li>Appreciation of the concept of scale/learning symbols/ understanding of contours and using OS maps.</li><li>Fixing places on the globe — the uniqueness of location.</li><li>Use of photographs/ the concepts of land use.</li><li>Learning basic graphing skills on Excel and using GIS.</li></ul>
<p><b>Antarctica</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Physical and Human features of Antarctica. Exploration of Antarctica: Captain Scott and Shackleton. The resource balance and the Antarctic Treaty.</li></ul>	
<p><b>Climate Change</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>What is climate change? Natural and human causes. Consequences of climate change at different scales. Considering our eco-footprint.</li></ul>	
<p><b>Water And Rivers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The hydrological cycle and movement of water through drainage basins. Processes and landforms created by rivers. The issue of flood and drought conditions.</li></ul>	