

‘How Geography has changed! In my day, it was all about capital cities!!’

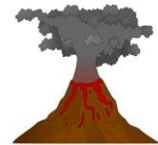
At Lawnswood School, we often hear this remark and it is true that what students learn has changed quite a lot. We are still interested in people and places but much of what we do now is helping students make sense of their rapidly changing world and equipping them with the skills to find out, analyse and understand local and global events and issues.

Broadly speaking we like to take our students on an increasingly global journey at Key Stage 3.



YEAR 7- We focus on developing skills like map reading, decision making and conflict resolution. Literacy and numeracy are also vital areas for development. We study issues like living in cities, the weather, rivers and flooding and encourage a global perspective on the study of place.

In **YEARS 8 and 9** we widen our view to study diverse topics and places. We study a range of countries at different levels of development and conclude Key Stage 3 with an in depth study of plate tectonics.



Geography is very popular at Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5. Our results are above average because we carefully support each student with individual work and revision guides and we make our lessons relevant and interesting.



For fieldwork we take students to Hornsea for GCSE controlled assessment and we go out for five, day trips around Yorkshire and the Lake District at A level.

We use a variety of teaching methods to engage our students - from group work to model making, video reports to field work studies. It is a lively and progressive department, proud of the commitment we have to our pupils and their progress.

We think what we do is important because in the words of the author Roddy Doyle,

‘GEOGRAPHY IS EVERYTHING!’

