



St Philomena's

Catholic High School for Girls

ST PHILOMENA'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS THE GEOGRAPHY DEPARTMENT

The Geography Department in this popular and successful 11-18 girls' Comprehensive school consists of three full-time staff and two part-time staff. The Department enjoys excellent accommodation with three dedicated classrooms (each with a data projector and smart board) and a Sixth Form Study and teaching room.

At Key Stage 3 we follow our own schemes of work based on the National Curriculum. Fieldwork is an important feature of our Key Stage 3 curriculum and students benefit from daytrips to Kew Gardens, Seven Sisters Country Park and Box Hill.

Geography is a popular option at Key Stage 4 with an average of over 100 students per year choosing to study it for GCSE, making Geography one of the most popular options on the curriculum. In 2017 84% of the cohort achieved A*-C grades (49% A*-A). GCSE groups participate in fieldwork that is completed on trips to the River Mole and to London.

In Years 12 and 13 we follow the Edexcel A level specification. There is one class in Year 12 and one class in Year 13. In 2017 100% of students achieved A*-C at A Level. Students undertake four days fieldwork across the two years. This includes a residential trip to Swanage and two day trips to London. During these trips they investigate coastal landforms and management and urban rebranding strategies.

Many of our A level students go on to study Geography at university.

We ask a great deal of our staff but we offer an outstanding opportunity for the right person to make a substantial impact and to develop their career in a very pleasant, successful, innovative school that will provide support and encouragement.

The department operates as a close-knit team, with all staff contributing to the development of the curriculum and extracurricular activities. Our vision is to deliver 'inspirational geography' and we will expect you to share your passion for the subject with us and our students.

We are seeking a well qualified Geography teacher, able to contribute across the full range of abilities, willing to develop and work as part of an innovative and dedicated team.

Every member of staff receives an iPad and students in Years 8 to 12 have an iPad or chrome book in lessons, using the Anytime, Anywhere Learning Scheme.

Management and Leadership CPD opportunities are available.