



# Wheatley Park School

## The Geography Department

The Geography department is situated in the main school and has three main teaching rooms. There are currently three experienced Geography teachers at Wheatley Park School: Annemarie Wintle-Gregory, David Twycross and Graham West. The Geography department has a very supportive and innovative team that makes use of a wide range of teaching resources to enhance the learning of pupils. All pupils have chromebooks and pupils use them regularly in lessons to self and peer assess, to use various GIS platforms, to create complex maps, graphs and charts as well as for research and presenting information. The department has its own office as well as store cupboard where fieldwork equipment such as clinometers, quadrats, ranging poles and other equipment is kept. Additionally, the department has a wide range of new textbooks specific for the new GCSE and A Level courses.

### Key Stages 3 & 4

Pupils are taught in tutor groups in Years 7 and 8. In Year 9 they start their GCSE option subjects and this year is very much a foundation for their GCSE. At GCSE the groups are normally mixed ability and Geography is a very popular option at GCSE. Next year we will have 4 groups in Year 11 and 4 groups in both Years 9 and 10. We study the Eduqas A specification and have field trips to both Oxford and Dorset.

### Key Stage 5

At A-Level, geography is a popular option with over 20 students enrolled. We follow the AQA course and enjoy excellent results with many pupils going on to study Geography at degree level.

### Trips

The department runs a number of trips including a residential visit to Dorset for GCSE for 2 days. A week's residential to Exmoor at A Level. During KS3 we run many day trips to places such as Shipton Quarry, Woodstock and Oxford City Centre.

### The Post

This post is an excellent opportunity for a either an NQT or an experienced teacher. We are an enthusiastic and committed team and are continually focused on improving our practice and pupils learning experiences. You can expect to have the opportunity to teach across all three key stages and access many CPD opportunities.