



Alsager School

An Achieving School - A Caring Community

How to support your child in Year 7 - Geography

General

At Alsager school we pride ourselves on our contemporary topics, much of the work that they do will be things that they have seen or experienced. The most engaged pupils tend to discuss what they are learning with people at home or try to find how geography might impact on their everyday life. To guide these discussions, you might want to look through their blue notebooks they have where they will have completed much of their class work. Pupils are given knowledge organizers at the start of each topic and are asked to construct their own revision sheets that parents/guardians are then asked to sign. Pupils are also given content sheets at the start of each lesson, this contains details of the topic, the lessons, all the homework in each topic and how they are marked. The topics pupils will complete in Geography are;

Autumn Term How Explorers Changed the World & Where are we in the World

Spring Term People Everywhere (Settlements and Population) & Watery World (Rivers)

Summer Term Watery World II (Where our water comes from and pollution) & Europe

Suggested Reading and websites

Below is a list of websites and books for each topic;

How Explorers Changed the World

Levison Wood – Walking the Nile (available as a book and a Discovery TV Documentary)

<https://www.ellenmacarthurfoundation.org/> Ellen MacArthur's foundation looking at plastic in the ocean.

The Illustrated Silk Roads – Peter Frankopan

Where are we in the World

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xkzXYWDM9OE&list=PLJp4yCtYcXprknSY_FAUpWG5ZbDwHmfY7

8 videos about how to read maps with Deadly 60 presenter Steve Backshall

Pathfinder Walking Guides – Made by OS maps, to support pupils why not ask them to use the map and instructions to navigate on a walk, you could use the Macclesfield, Congleton and Wilmslow OS Explorer map to help.

People Everywhere (Settlements and Population)

10 Billion - Danny Dorling

<http://www.breathingearth.net/> Shows where people are born across the world

Watery World (Rivers)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zs92tfr> Numerous videos and pieces of information that match perfectly with the content studied.

Water: L4. National Geographic Readers

Watery World II (Where our water comes from and pollution)

<https://www.unitedutilities.com/corporate/responsibility/communities/education/> Numerous different things to do including a tour around a Sewage Plant.

Europe

Europe, The First 100 million Years – Tim Flannery

<https://www.cia.gov/the-world-factbook/> Fresh and up to date information about every country on the planet.

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Collins School Atlas 11+. This is the Atlas that is used in school and therefore pupils will be able to use this to find information.

Philip's Geography Dictionary