



Alsager School

An Achieving School - A Caring Community

How to support your child in Year 8 - 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** Wonderful Weather and Climate Chaos
Spring Term Going Global (Globalisation in general and in the fashion industry)
Summer Term Amazing Asia (Study of China and India)

Suggested Reading and websites

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

Wonderful Weather

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zx38q6f> Numerous videos, quizzes and resources to help with understanding weather.

The Secret World of Weather – Tristan Gooley

Very British Weather – The Met Office

Climate Chaos

How Bad are Bananas? – Mike Berners-Lee

Drawdown – Paul Hawken

The Weather Makers – Tim Flannery

No One is too Small to Make a Difference – Greta Thunberg

<https://www.ipcc.ch/about/> The most reliable and up to date information on Climate Change

Going Global

50 Things that Made the Modern Economy – Tim Harford

The Almighty Dollar – Darshini Davis

No Logo – Naomi Klein (there is also a documentary which accompanies this book)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zrycwmn/revision/1> Excellent revision resources from the BBC

Amazing Asia

Modern China – A Very Short Introduction

China: Travel for Kids, The Fun Way to Discover China

The Silk Roads (Illustrated Version) – Peter Frankopan

Prisoners of Geography – Tim Marshall

The Power of Geography – Tim Marshall

Modern India: A Very Short Introduction

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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