

Bridging Resources for Year 11 Applicants: Geography



St John Rigby College

Geography summer activities

Welcome to the Geography department of St John Rigby College. We cannot wait to get started with our A-Level teaching and hope that this info provides a bridge from GCSE.

Below are a number of activities that you could do to help prepare for Geography at college.

1) Research the following key topics which will help you in your first term of study



- Antarctica – what is the weather like? What animals live there? What do people do there? Are all parts of Antarctica the same? What is the history of the continent?
- In what ways are you connected to the world? Think of the tangible (physical) ways... this could be family who migrated or goods which were made overseas. It could be non-tangible (non-physical) such as the music or films you engage with

2) Make a list of...

- Places you have been to. Which places did you like? Why did you like them? Was it the physical environment or the culture and what people did there?
- Places you would like to go to. Why do you want to go there? How do you know about these places? Do you think you have an accurate view of them?
- Places you think are better suited to certain groups of people e.g. a certain age group or class/culture. In what ways is it suited to them better?



This will help with our 'Changing Place' topic studied in the Autumn Term

3) Watch the news!

- Think about how Covid-19 spread so fast. How did people transmit it country to country?
- What organisations are helping with this pandemic? What are individual governments doing? How are the World Health Organisation (WHO) helping?
- What other global issues are in the news? Oil Prices, Earthquakes, Climate Change are all relevant stories that are frequently discussed



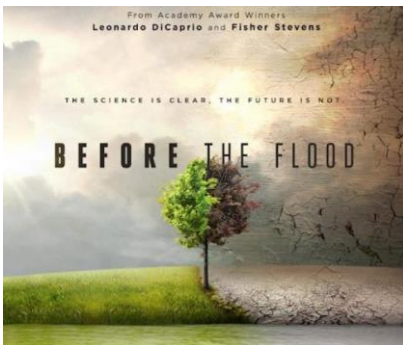
4) Get involved

Many universities and organisations are organising free online classes which consolidate geography already studied as well as topics we will cover at A-Level

- Field Studies Council
<https://encounteredu.com/live-lessons/fsc-fieldworklive-2020>

5) Watch relevant documentaries

There are many great documentaries across Netflix, Disney+ and the BBC



I recommend the following

- Antarctica (Disney+)
- Blue Planet – especially the tropical rainforest episodes (BBC & Netflix)
- Before the Flood – climate change (Disney+)
- The Imagineering Series – how Disney culture spread around the world (Disney+)
- Into the Inferno – living next to volcanoes (Netflix)

6) Stay in touch!

- If you have any questions about what we study or if there are any specific topics you would like further information on, please do not hesitate to get in touch!

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I look forward to seeing you all soon!

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