

## Results of the department from 2023/2024

### Key Stage 3 Levels

	Year 7 At or above expected target	Year 8 At or above expected target	Year 9 At or above expected target
Ursuline	93%	92%	91%

### Key Stage 4 – GCSE Geography

	9-7	9-5	9-4
Ursuline	48%	76%	83%

### Key Stage 5 – A-Level Geography

	A* - A	A* - B	A* - C
Ursuline	21%	53%	95%



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**Open Evening 2024**



# GEOGRAPHY

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## Why study Geography?

- To investigate the earth and its peoples.
- To study the features of the earth - such as mountains, rivers and seas - and how they were formed.
- To develop a range of useful skills such as map reading, data collection, ICT and problem solving.
- To gain an understanding and appreciation of the cultures and backgrounds of people from all over the world.
- To develop a knowledge and understanding of current events from the local area to the global.

## Our Aims at Ursuline High School

- To set challenging targets with high expectations for all students.
- To offer a variety of approaches to teaching and learning to engage and motivate students and demand their active participation.
- To smooth the transition for students between Key Stages and ensure progression in teaching and learning throughout their time at School.
- To enhance students' enjoyment of Geography.



## Teaching and Learning

The curriculum is delivered to all students from Year 7 and Year 8 via two 50-minute lessons per week and Year 9 via 1.5 lessons. Years 10 and 11 have three 50-minute lessons per week. All students in all key stages are taught in mixed ability classes.

Students are taught in line with the school marking policy with standards awarded for key assignments. Work is assessed every 2 weeks; grades are recorded and monitored by classroom teacher.

Homework is set once a week and consists of

- Research.
- Analysing geographical data.
- Report writing.
- Extended pieces of writing (essays, letters, diary entries, speeches).
- Structured questions.
- Homework set may vary according to ability.

## How can I help my daughter if she gets stuck with homework?



- Homework will be based on work done in class and your daughter will have work in her book/OneNote to assist her.
- Encourage your daughter to make time before the deadline to seek help from her teacher.

## What will my daughter study in Year 7?

- How can geography help me to better understand the UK?
- How does a river change from source to mouth?
- Why does quality of life vary across the world?
- What is the 'frozen' planet?
- How global are our clothes?

