

Haslingden High School and Sixth Form

Geography Department



Our purpose as a geography department is:

- To help students develop geographical knowledge and conceptual understanding.
- To introduce students to geographical enquiry and develop problem solving and investigative skills.
- To help students develop a sense of identity, with their own informed opinions and attitudes through learning about the United Kingdom and other countries

Geography at Haslingden High School is a strong subject within a strong faculty. The department regularly achieves top results within the school at both GCSE and A-level. In 2019, results at GCSE achieved an SPI of +0.22, and A level Geography graded ALPS 8. We believe that Geography is an essential subject for engaging students in a variety of important issues as well as equipping them with a valuable academic qualification. As such, Geography is a popular choice at GCSE and in the sixth form.

The department currently consists of five specialists including the Curriculum Leader for Humanities and the Assistant Director of Sixth Form. We work very closely together, utilising the range of teaching styles and subject knowledge within the department to continually offer students interesting and varied learning experiences. Department staff are committed to the wider school community in terms of contribution to whole-school projects, extra-curricular studies and regular trips within the UK to Ambleside, Manchester and Blencathra as well the very popular Iceland trip.

At Haslingden High School and Sixth Form we follow a three year Key Stage 3 during which students are in academic ability sets for Geography, History and Religious Studies. Geography GCSE is a popular subject. We have on average four mixed ability teaching groups per year at KS4 and we follow the AQA syllabus A. Geography is also popular at A-level where we follow the Edexcel Specification. The successful candidate will need to teach across the ability range at KS3 and KS4 as well as have the potential to teach at KS5.

The successful candidate will need to be enthusiastic, resourceful and willing to work and contribute to an already successful team.

We look forward to receiving your application.

Mike Kaye
Curriculum Leader - Humanities