What is Geography all about?
As Geographers we look for patterns in the landscape and the way humans and the natural systems interact. We are curious about the way the world changes and look for ways to both analyse and understand change.
In Year 11 we study Hazards and Disasters as well as Global Tourism.
In Year 12 we study Desertification, Deforestation, Melting Glaciers and Ice Sheets as well as a research report based around land cover change at Lake Hawthorn Sunraysia. We also look at population characteristics and change across the globe.

Areas of Study:

Unit 1:
• Geographical concepts and questions
• Geological hazards and disasters
• Hydro-meteorological hazards and disasters
• Biological hazards and disasters
• Technological hazards and disasters

Unit 2:
• Characteristics of domestic and international tourism
• Changing characteristics of tourism over time
• Location and distribution of different types of tourism and tourist destination
• Environmental and economic impacts of tourism
• Management strategies responding to environmental, economic and socio-cultural impacts.

Unit 3:
• Case Study Lake Hawthorn / Interconnection of the lake with Sunraysia
• Positive and negative impacts of Lake Hawthorn change on the environment, and economic and social conditions in the region
• Desertification – Case Study Niger
• Deforestation – Case Study Borneo
• Glaciers and Ice Sheets – Case Study Greenland

Unit 4:
• World population distribution
• Distribution of world population characteristics including birth rate, death rate, infant mortality rate, fertility rate and life expectancy
• Case Studies – Japan, Bangladesh and Australia.
• Overview of world population growth since the 1700’s and projected changes in the 21st Century

Type of Assessments in this subject:
• Fieldwork
• Data processing
• Research reports
• Visual displays
• Analysis of geographical data
• Tests
• Essays
• Examinations

Key Skills developed through this area are:
• Analysis of data
• Interpretation of graphs and maps
• Spatial skills in terms of representing information in a map on diagram
• Reading skills
• Presentation skills

Possible Occupations that could relate to this study include:
Ecologist  Scientist  Meteorologist  Surveyor  Stock and Station Agent
Geologist  Pilot  Tour Guide  Town Planner  Recreation Officer

Interested (tick) ☐