

# SCHOOL GEOGRAPHY DEPARTMENT WEBSITES

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## Web Based Department Portals:

*These Department Websites link a number of online technologies to provide a multi-purpose online web presence for the department - with links including departmental blogs, interactive games, VLE, podcasts, wikis and online forums*

**GeoBytes** (St Ivo School Geography Department, Cambridgeshire) [www.geobytes.org.uk](http://www.geobytes.org.uk)

**Geographyalltheway** – International School of Toulouse Geography Department  
<http://www.geographyalltheway.com/> (Rich Allaway)

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## Other School Geography Department Websites:

*Explore some of these examples of School Geography Department Websites – as you explore these look for the different ways in which they are used – what ideas would work for your department? What wouldn't work for you? What else would you like to do?*

- **Bishop Heber High School** – Geography <http://www.geographyatbishopheber.com/>
- **The Geography Department – East Bergholt High School** (Andrew Stacey)  
• <http://www.stacey.peak-media.co.uk/index.html> - in particular some superb image collections here.
- **Wycombe High School** Geography Department  
• <http://www.school-portal.co.uk/GroupHomepage.asp?GroupId=23107> - a superb site! Includes animations, tutorials, subject specific links and some great information handouts as well as interactive teaching resources – such as the London Docklands and Chocolate sections – well worth exploring!
- **Our Lady's High School Geography Department** (Preston) <http://www.geog4u.com/>
- **Nottingham High School**  
• <http://www.nottinghamhigh.co.uk/academic-departments/geography/usefulwebsites>
- **Huntcliff Geography Department**  
<http://www.huntcliff.co.uk/geogweb/Geography/homepage.htm>
- **John F Kennedy School** (Hertfordshire) – school micro-site on Coastal Erosion in North Norfolk [http://www.jfk.herts.sch.uk/north\\_norfolk/](http://www.jfk.herts.sch.uk/north_norfolk/)
- **Endon Geography – Geography Online**  
<http://www.endon.staffs.sch.uk/depts/geography/>
- **Goffs School** (Hertfordshire)  
<http://www.goffs.herts.sch.uk/website/Goffs%202006/content/bodies/Humanities/geography/new%20structure%20june%20o7/framed/geoghome.htm>
- **KEGS** (King Edwards Geography Society) (King Edward VI Five Ways School)  
<http://www.ke5ways.bham.sch.uk/kegs/index.html>

- **Little Heath School** <http://www.westberks.org/GroupHomepage.asp?GroupID=2644>
- **Bodmin College Geography Pages** <http://www.prettejohn.net/>
- **The Netherhall School and Sixth Form College** <http://www.school-portal.co.uk/GroupHomepage.asp?GroupID=22484>
- **St Birinus School** <http://www.st-birinus.oxon.sch.uk/departments/geog/geog.sbs>
- **The Westgate School** (Winchester)
- <http://www.school-portal.co.uk/GroupHomepage.asp?GroupID=5593>
- **Stanley Tech Geography Department Website** (South Norwood, London)  
<http://www.learnhistory.org.uk/stanley/geography/teachers.htm>
- **Bootham School Geography Department** (York)  
<http://www.bootham.york.sch.uk/geography/>
- **Radley College Geography Department** (Oxfordshire)  
<http://geography.radley.org.uk/>
- **James Gillespie's School Geography Department** (Edinburgh)  
<http://www.jghs.edin.sch.uk/socialsubs/geography.html>
- **Standard Grade Geography** – Scalloway Junior School <http://www.scalloway.org.uk/>

## Geography Department Blogs

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*The blogosphere is growing rapidly and even over the last year there has been a huge increase in the range of geography related blogs on the internet. Some are aimed specifically aimed at pupils, some are topic or year group specific, others are aimed at fieldwork opportunities whilst others provide professional development style information for geography teaching staff.*

*Blogs can be a useful addition to a wider department online portal and can be directly linked to from a 'portal' homepage.*

These examples are part of the wider GeoBytes department portal:

- [www.geoblogbytes.wordpress.com](http://www.geoblogbytes.wordpress.com) (Class Specific Support)
- [www.geobytesgcse.blogspot.com](http://www.geobytesgcse.blogspot.com) (GCSE Support and Revision)
- [www.geobytesadvancedextension.blogspot.com](http://www.geobytesadvancedextension.blogspot.com) (Advanced Extension Paper Support Blog)
- [www.geobytescoursework.wordpress.com](http://www.geobytescoursework.wordpress.com) (GCSE Coursework Support blog)

The following examples are excellent examples of blogs which aren't necessarily attached to a wider department portal but provide excellent examples of what can be achieved and indeed many are like mini websites in their own right and can be used as such – they are super for providing an:

- **Pilot GCSE Geography** <http://www.pilotgcseradicalgeography.co.uk/>  
- Tony Cassidy (Kirk Hallam School)
- **Geography All the Way** (Rich Allaway – International School of Toulouse)  
<http://www.geographyalltheway.com/WordPress/>
- **Chandlings GeoActive** (Richard H)  
<http://www.radicalgeography.co.uk>
- **Geography: My Place and Yours** <http://www.gmpay.blogspot.com/> - Val Vannet (Dundee High School)
- **The Higher Geog Blog** <http://highergeogblog.blogspot.com/> - Val Vannet (Dundee High School)
- **GeogBoardy** <http://geogboardy.blogspot.com/> - Andrew Boardman (Garden International School KL)
- **AbblanchGeography** <http://www.abblanchgeography.blogspot.com/> (John Barlow – Archbishop Blanch School)
- **Gorgeous Geography** <http://gorgeousgeography.wordpress.com/> (Melanie Richards – St Ursula's Convent School)
- **GeogBlushloe Blog** <http://geogblogbushloe.blogspot.com/> (Mark Batchelor)
- **Worldy Wise (GCSE Support)** <http://worldlywise.blogspot.com/> - Katharine Hutchinson (Chesterton Community College, Cambridge)

- **Geogtastic – where would you be without Geography?** <http://www.geogtastic.blogspot.com/> (Victoria Ellis of Swanwick Hall School, Derbyshire)
- **The Geography Department** (Helen Nurton – Guildford County School) <http://thegeographydepartment.blogspot.com/>
- **Geography Rocks** (S Sumner – Bury Church School) <http://burychurchgeog.blogspot.com/index.html>
- **Humanities Blog** <http://humslearninghub.blogspot.com/> (Luke Sparkes)
- **Share Geography** <http://www.sharegeography.co.uk/> Tony Cassidy (Kirk Hallam Community Technology College)
- **Games 4 Geog** (Mary Cooch – Our Lady's Preston, Lancashire) <http://www.games4geog.com/>
- **The Kingdown Geography Blog** (Danny O'Callaghan – Kingdown Community School, Warminster) <http://kingdowngeogblog.blogspot.com/index.html>
- **GeogBlogs@Barnwell** – <http://geogblogsbarnewell.blogspot.com/> (Marie Hart – Barnwell School, Stevenage)

*For other examples see the GeoBlogs page on Alan Parkinsons's excellent Geography Pages site <http://www.geographypages.co.uk/blogpages.htm>*

## General Geography Sites

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*Not specifically Department websites but just in case you haven't seen some of these before here are some non-departmental specific, general Geography sites (both websites and blogs) which are good for supporting Geography Teaching and Learning (I hope there is at least one new site here you hadn't come across before).*

- **GeoResources** <http://www.georesources.co.uk>
- **GeoInteractive** <http://www.geointeractive.co.uk>
- **Geography Pages** <http://www.geographypages.co.uk>
- **Juicy Geography** <http://www.juicygeography.co.uk>
- **Digital Geography** <http://www.digitalgeography.co.uk>
- **OdBlog** <http://geodonn.blogspot.com/> (Kenny O'Donnell)
- **Active Geography (Russell Tarr)** <http://www.activegeography.co.uk/>
- **Kay's AS and A2 Geography Links** <http://www.geography.btinternet.co.uk/>
- **The Geography Site** <http://www.geography-site.co.uk/>
- **Staffordshire Learning Net** <http://www.sln.org.uk/geography>

- **The SLN Wiki** <http://geolinks.pbwiki.com/>
- **Google Earth Users Guide** (Alan Parkinson)  
<http://googleearthusersguide.blogspot.com/>
- **Ollie Bray** <http://www.olliebray.com/> (Ollie Bray – Musselburgh Grammar School)
- **igeog** <http://www.igeog.com> (Rob Chambers – St Ivo School Geography Department)