



# Wales HIGH SCHOOL

HEADTEACHER: MR. G. DI'IASIO

SS/HB - May 2019

Dear Parent/Guardian

## **A-Level Geography Investigation – July 2019**

A requirement of your child's A-level Geography course is to undertake an individual fieldwork investigation. This investigation will form 20% of their A level grade. Although your child's geography teacher will be able to offer some guidance, the emphasis is very much on producing an independent study.

Collecting primary data is a central part of these projects and we are asking your child to collect the data they need over the summer break. Depending on their choice of topic this may be completed in their local area or by travelling to Sheffield or further afield, such as to the coast. There is no requirement for data to be collected in more remote or extreme environments and we would recommend that fieldwork is carried out in areas that are safe and easily accessible.

The safety of our students is of paramount importance. We will be discussing fieldwork safety in lessons and students, as part of their project, will need to assess the risks of their particular study. However, the manner in which fieldwork data is collected remains the personal decision of the student and parents have responsibility for ensuring this is done safely. We advise that parents accompany students for health and safety reasons. Students are able to travel with other students to complete their fieldwork, although they must collect separate data.

The Geography Department have some fieldwork equipment that students may borrow to help them in their data collection. Some of the equipment is expensive and we would ask that it is looked after very carefully. We may have to make a charge for replacing equipment that is damaged through carelessness. Please complete the slip below and return to your child's Geography teacher to confirm you have received this letter.

If you have any further questions or if the collection of data may prove problematic, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Yours sincerely

*S Sumpter*

Miss S Sumpter  
Teacher of Geography

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Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Tutor Group: \_\_\_\_\_

I confirm that I have received and read the letter regarding the above. I understand the requirements and that I am responsible for checking the fieldwork is carried out safely and am happy to support my child in collecting fieldwork data.

Signed (Parent/Guardian): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return to your child's Geography Teacher by Thursday 11 July 2019**