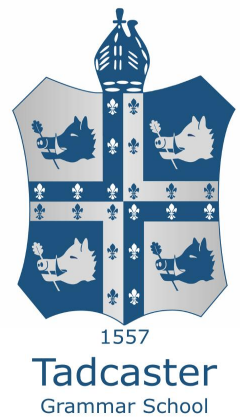


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Dear Parents



Geography GCSE

With such an important year ahead for your child I want to ensure that you are aware of the staffing arrangements within the Geography Department should there be any problems and you need to contact either me or a student's class teacher. The list below shows the class teacher and their contact information.

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Year 11 students will continue studying the AQA specification for their Geography GCSE. The details of this GCSE specification can be found at the following website:

<http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/geography/gcse/geography-8035>.

The exam regulator Ofqual has changed the expectations in terms of the Geography specification, due to the loss of teaching time last year, therefore there is no longer the need to carry out fieldwork. These questions will be taken out of the Paper 3 exam. We are also still waiting on clarification from AQA on what the other 2 examinations will look like and if any further changes will be made, we will share this with students when we know more.

The start of the year will see students study the Hazards topic for the Paper 1 Physical Geography exam. This will complete the teaching of this section of the course, therefore students will sit a Physical Geography paper for their November mock exam series. This will cover Hazards, The Living World, Rivers and Coasts. This will be discussed with all students in lesson time. Lunchtime revision sessions will start on **Wednesday 22nd September at 12.30 in M24**, these sessions are not compulsory but will give students the opportunity to come and go over any key content, discuss the best ways to revise and practice exam questions.

I hope the above information is useful. If there is anything that I can help you with, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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