Head of Area: Miss XXX

Subject Teachers: Mrs XXX, Miss XXX, Mr XXXX

Examination Board: AQA

Specification: 8035

Subject information:All pupils who choose Geography will study the full Geography GCSE

course. There is only one tier of entry meaning all pupils sit the same

examination at the end of Year 11. There are a variety of questions

within the exam papers, including multiple choice, short answer and

longer extended answers. Many answers are supported by resources

provided within the exam paper to prompt pupil responses

What you will study and

how you will be assessed:The GCSE Geography course highlights the links and interrelationships

between people, places, and environments at different scales. The

course allows pupils to be globally and environmentally informed as

well as thoughtful and enquiring citizens. Pupils develop the ability to

analyse, question, evaluate, debate, argue and reason.

There are three components studied for Geography:

Unit 1: Living with the physical environment (35% of the GCSE)

• The challenge of natural hazards: tectonic hazards, weather

hazards, climate change.

• The living world: tropical rainforests, hot deserts.

• Physical landscapes of the UK: coastal landscapes, river

landscapes.

Unit 2: Challenges of the human environment (35% of the GCSE)

• Urban issues and challenges: growth of cities and the resulting

opportunities and challenges.

• The changing economic world: global variations in

development, economic growth, the changing UK economy.

• The challenge of resource management: access to food, water,

and energy around the world, changing energy use in the UK.

Unit 3: Geographical applications (30% of the GCSE)

• Fieldwork enquiry: familiar and unfamiliar fieldwork, including

two compulsory fieldwork enquiries.

• Geographical skills: maps, graphs, photos, field sketches.

• Issue evaluation: critical thinking and problem-solving to make

an informed decision on a current global geographical issue.

Parental support:

Revision material will be issued on Google Classroom from the

start of the course and revision packs issued prior to the exam.

• The department subscribes to the Kerboodle online textbook

to which all pupils will be provided with a login.

• There are a range of CPG guides available for purchase