

# QUEEN ELIZABETH'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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10<sup>th</sup> June 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

## **A level Geography Independent Investigation Information Evening**

**Date – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June 6.00pm – 7.00pm**

**Venue – Library**

As part of A Level Geography all students will undertake a coursework component: Independent Investigation. This comprises of a written report of 3000-4000 words. It is worth 20% of the overall A Level qualification and is marked out of 70. The Independent Investigation is internally assessed and externally moderated. The Independent Investigation is a unique opportunity for the students to apply their geographical knowledge and understanding to the context of a real world location. They will develop their skills of data collection, analysis and evaluation. For those applying to study geography at university, it also provides a tangible experience of their own geographical endeavour, which could also be discussed within their UCAS personal statement. Ultimately, it will help better prepare the students for the transition to undergraduate study, regardless of the subject they choose.

To ensure your child's success the QEGS' Geography department would like to invite you and your child to the '**A Level Independent Investigations Information Evening**' on **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June, 6.00pm – 7.00pm in the Library**. The evening will cover the following:-

- What is the Independent Investigation?
- What does it mean to be independent?
- What will happen on the fieldtrip.
- What your child needs to bring on the fieldtrip.
- How can you support your child?
- What support your child will receive from the Geography department.
- Guidance on feedback from the teacher.
- An opportunity for questions.

Whilst the Independent Investigation is an exciting part of the new A Level specification, it will require hard work and independence throughout to complete it successfully both at home and at school.

If you would like to discuss this further do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Ms K Fisher

**Teacher of Geography**

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### REPLY SLIP

**'A level Geography Independent Investigation Information Evening'** (Please return this slip to your Geography teacher asap)

I am **able / unable** to attend this event.

Student attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Carer(s) attending: \_\_\_\_\_

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