Welcome back, we hope that you all had a restful Easter break ready for the build-up for the summer series of exams.

**Fieldwork**

A reminder that the ‘Fieldwork Statement’ for Component 3 should be submitted by 31 May 2019. Early responses would be welcomed.

Geography A submitted to GCSEGeographyA@eduqas.co.uk
Geography B submitted to GCSEGeographyB@eduqas.co.uk

Planning your fieldwork for 2020

Remember that fieldwork must take place in two contrasting locations.

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There are guidance documents to support your planning of the fieldwork on the website here.

Geography A: [https://www.eduqas.co.uk/qualifications/qualification-resources.html?subject=GeographyA&level=GCSE](https://www.eduqas.co.uk/qualifications/qualification-resources.html?subject=GeographyA&level=GCSE)

Geography B: [https://www.eduqas.co.uk/qualifications/qualification-resources.html?subject=GeographyB&level=GCSE](https://www.eduqas.co.uk/qualifications/qualification-resources.html?subject=GeographyB&level=GCSE)
Examinations

Exam papers for Eduqas Geography are marked electronically. Please ensure that any continuation of responses that your pupils do at the end of the exam paper have the question number clearly marked.

Preparing for pupils for the examinations

- Focus on command words in the question – this helps to identify the assessment objectives being assessed.
- Encourage the use of connectives to develop chains of reasoning on higher tariff questions (AO2 and AO3)
  
  Useful connectives
  - Therefore...
  - This leads to...
  - As a consequence, ...
  - This is because...
  - Resulting in...

- Ensure that they pupils take the opportunity to refer to their own fieldwork on the final questions in Section A and Section B of Component 3.

Resources

The digital resources website continues to be updated. There are several activities linked to ecosystems and tropical rainforest now available.

http://resources.eduqas.co.uk/Pages/ResourceSingle.aspx?rlid=1177

Professional Development – coming soon...

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The focus of the professional development will be relevant to the teaching of both GCSE and GCE level Geography:

(i) Decision-making geography – Creative ways to approach evaluating and decision-making in the geography classroom.

(ii) Fieldwork – undertaking inspiring place-based fieldwork. Setting good enquiry questions and collecting meaningful data.
Further support

If you have any other questions or require further support, please do not hesitate to contact us. Good luck to all your students in this summer’s exams.

All the best with the teaching.

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