

PCHS Curriculum Information 2026/2027

Course Title: A Level Geography	Exam Board: AQA	Specification Code: 7037
How will students be assessed? Students will complete two 150 minute exams. Both exams are worth 40% of their final grade. The first exam is based on Physical Geography where the second is based on Human Geography. The remaining 20% of the A Level qualification is taken up by the Individual Investigation which is a teacher assessed report written by the students based on the results of fieldwork undertaken in both Y12 and Y13. This report will be between 3,000 and 4,000 words. There are some optional topics and the topics we now study are: Physical Geography – Water and Carbon Cycles, Coastal Systems and Landscapes and finally Hazards. Human Geography – Global Systems and Global Governance, Changing Places, Population and the Environment		

Year 12 Topic Schedule
Half Term 1 Hazards • The concept of Hazards • Plate tectonics • Volcanic and Seismic Hazards • Storm Hazards
Half Term 2 • Fires in Nature • Case Studies Population and the environment • Introduction to Population • Environment and Population • Environment, Health and Well being • Population Change
Half Term 3 Population and the environment • Principles of Population and ecology and their application to human populations • Global population futures • Case Studies • Population change in Iran/ Japan • Relationship between place and health case study: Abbey Ward Lincoln/ Hart Hampshire

Half Term 4

Coastal Systems

- Coasts as natural systems
- Coastal Processes
- Coastal Landscape Development

Half Term 5

Coastal Systems

- Coastal Management
- Case Studies

Changing Places

- The nature and importance of places
- Relationships, connections,

Half Term 6

Changing Places

- meaning and representation
- Quantitative and qualitative skills
- Place studies
- Comparative Studies Near and Far

Fieldwork

Individual Report