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Dear Parents

You will shortly be receiving your son/daughter's report outlining their current level of attainment across their subjects. Geography and History will likely appear as being substantially lower than the other subjects. The reason for this is that the students have only studied the GCSE course from September, whereas some other subjects have started in Year 9. In addition, the GCSE Geography and History courses are very content heavy with skills assessed through the application of knowledge. Therefore their level of attainment correlates closely with how much of the course they have been taught and consequently there is a cap on their current level of attainment until they have covered the entire syllabus.

Progress through GCSE	Maximum grade available at this point
December – Y10	2-
June – Y10	5
December – Y11	7+
June – Y11	9

It is likely that your son/daughter's attainment is currently either a U or a 1 grade. This does not mean that they are underperforming against their target grade, but that they simply haven't covered enough of the content to reach higher grades in the exam at present. For example, the students have covered 1 topic out of 8 in GCSE Geography and therefore would be unable to pick up marks on the other 7 topics, therefore limiting their current level of attainment at this time.

If you wish to discuss attainment in the humanities subjects further, please feel free to contact your son/daughter's geography and/or history teacher.

Yours sincerely

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Academic Leader of Humanities