



Greenfields Primary School Geography Curriculum Statement

Intent Drivers – Our Core Values				
Honesty	Empathy	Aspirational	Respect	Team

INTENT

At Greenfields, we are committed to bringing about the best in everyone and delivering a rich, diverse curriculum that inspires a love of learning. A curriculum that is creative and relevant to the needs of our children and our locality, and a curriculum that will inspire and motivate all pupils to become the best that they can be and achieve better than they dared to dream. We teach Geography through the use of key enquiry questions and make sure our curriculum is mapped to include coverage of the National Curriculum. This helps to create a direct link between all topic subjects and makes our learning more exciting. We understand that not all learning has to be completed in blocks because that is not the way children learn. We try to make our Geography sessions as practical and exciting as they can possibly be. We link our learning with real life experiences in all sessions through an enhanced curriculum including fieldwork, investigations, trips and themed days. Our Geography curriculum is designed to inspire curiosity about the impact of people, through both time and place in our world. We provide skills for questioning and investigation, challenge, engage and motivate with the ultimate goal that our learners progress academically and become successful. We want our pupils to be confident individuals who are respectful and empathetic for all the people of the world. They will make a positive contribution to our community and society - both now and in the future. Growing together, we learn, achieve and succeed.

IMPLEMENTATION

EYFS and National Curriculum

Planning in all subjects is designed to meet and develop the requirements of the EYFS and National Curriculum, ensuring breadth and depth of learning for all children.

Locational knowledge and place knowledge

EYFS pupils will focus on where they live, the natural environment and find out that people are from different places. In KS1 pupils will name and locate the 7 continents and 5 oceans. To build our knowledge of place we will compare parts of the world. In KS2 pupils will locate countries around the world, focusing on Europe, the Americas and countries of interest to the pupils.

Human and Physical Geography

EYFS pupils will make observations of the natural environment and know about similarities and differences between places, themselves and others. KS1 will identify seasonal and daily weather patterns in hot and cold parts of the world. We will learn about human and physical features. KS2 will build on this by describing and understanding Physical features currently, and explore the future.

Geographical Skills and Fieldwork

EYFS pupils will observe and identify key features of where they live and the natural environment. KS1 will use maps, atlases and globes to identify countries and oceans studied. We will use compass directions, aerial photos and directional language. KS2 will build on this by using computer mapping and pupils will also use symbols to build our knowledge of the world.

Map Skills

EYFS pupils will have the opportunity to look at simple atlases, draw simple maps and follow directions. KS1 pupils will begin to use maps and atlases. We will follow and draw maps. In KS2 pupils will locate areas on a range of maps. We will use symbols on the maps we have made. KS2 pupils will also draw sketches from high viewpoints and research data on areas using atlases.

IMPACT

Pupils leave Greenfields with a secure understanding of the academic content of the National Curriculum. Our children will have a confident set of skills, knowledge and values which can be used to get ahead in education and life generally. In short they will learn more, remember more, enjoy more and develop more socially and emotionally; enabling them to be ready for their next stage in education and their future lives. We know that by working with our community we can all have a positive impact on their lives. By working together in partnership, the Greenfields family will ensure that every child achieves and succeeds.