Geography

Intent

Our Geography Curriculum aims to provide students with a deep understanding of the world's physical and human landscapes, fostering an appreciation for the diverse environments, cultures and communities that shape our planet. The Curriculum is designed to develop geographical skills, locational and place knowledge and a sense of global citizenship. Through studying Geography, students will explore the complex relationships between people and their environments, understand the challenges and opportunities of living in a rapidly changing world, and develop the skills necessary to address key global issues such as climate change, sustainability and resource management.

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Implementation

Geography is delivered through a carefully structured curriculum that integrates both physical and human geography. Starting with the locality of Warrington, children then build their Geography schema as they span out and begin to compare our home to other places within the UK and, ultimately, countries across the globe.

Students engage with key concepts through a variety of learning exercises, including map work, field studies, data analysis and comparison studies of different regions and environments. This variety of sources provides our children with a well-rounded, deep geographical understanding of the locations that they cover.

As children move into KS2, lessons become more inquiry-based and encourage students to ask questions and explore real-world issues. Through research and case studies, children begin to understand how their Geography knowledge can support them in tackling global issues (carbon footprints, climate change, conservation etc.). Students look at what they can do now and in the future to help support the sustainability of our planet.

The use of digital tools, such as Google Maps and GeoGuessr, enhances students' locational knowledge so they can visualise and place towns, counties and countries in relation to where we are in Warrington. ClassVR pushes this further, by giving our children the immersive opportunity to 'visit' a diverse range of places around the World to deepen their understanding of what an area is like and expand their cultural capital.

Impact

Our aim is to help children become informed, thoughtful and environmentally conscious members of society. Through Geography lessons, students will gain a strong foundation in geographic knowledge and skills, enabling them to understand the interconnections between physical environments and human activities. They develop a keen awareness of global issues and are empowered to think critically about solutions. The Curriculum also fosters a sense of global citizenship, encouraging students to appreciate cultural diversity, value sustainability and take an active role in protecting our planet for future generations.