

CURRICULUM PRINCIPLES - INTENT



Whole School Curriculum Intent

Our intent is to create active learners who can reflect, question, wonder, think, connect, be self-aware and be resilient. We intend to provide opportunities for our children to build knowledge, make meaning and apply understanding across a range of learning experiences. As an increasingly diverse school, the promotion of acceptance and inclusion underpins our curriculum, whilst maintaining our strong Christian values and ethos.

Subject Intent

At St Philip's we aim for a high quality geography curriculum to inspire pupils with a curiosity and fascination about their surroundings, the world and its people. Our teaching equips pupils with knowledge about diverse places, people and natural and human environments. Children develop geographical skills: collecting and analysing data; using maps, globes, aerial photographs and digital mapping to name and identify countries, continents and oceans. We want our children to gain confidence and practical experiences of geographical knowledge, understanding and skills.

Aims

The national curriculum for geography aims to ensure that all pupils:

- develop contextual knowledge of the location of globally significant places both terrestrial and marine – including their defining physical and human characteristics and how these provide a geographical context for understanding the actions of processes
- understand the processes that give rise to key physical and human geographical features of the world, how these are interdependent and how they bring about spatial variation and change over time

are competent in the geographical skills needed to:

- collect, analyse and communicate with a range of data gathered through experiences of fieldwork that deepen their understanding of geographical processes
- interpret a range of sources of geographical information, including maps, diagrams, globes, aerial photographs and Geographical Information Systems (GIS)
- communicate geographical information in a variety of ways, including through maps, numerical and quantitative skills and writing at length.

