

Geography

INTENT

At Holy Cross Catholic Primary Academy, we want to inspire children's curiosity about their world and to engage them in outdoor learning and geographical enquiry.

Our curriculum has been sequenced to enable children to gradually widen their sense of scale from their immediate geography to global. This is organised and shared in the long-term overview.

The curriculum at Holy Cross aims to ensure that all children: Gain knowledge about diverse places, people, resources and natural and human environments, together with a deep understanding of the Earth's key physical and human processes. As children progress, their growing knowledge about the world should help them to deepen their understanding of the interaction between physical and human processes, and of the formation and use of landscapes and environments. Geographical knowledge, understanding and skills provide the frameworks and approaches that explain how the Earth's features at different scales are shaped, interconnected and change over time.

The curriculum intent for each sequence of learning is set out in the medium-term plan for each unit.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Geography is taught termly, focusing on knowledge and skills stated in the National Curriculum.
- Lessons are carefully planned for progression and depth.
- The local area is utilised to achieve the desired outcomes, with opportunities for learning outside the classroom embedded in practice. Each class is able to make use of our bespoke Forest School area and environmental area to broaden their experience.

IMPACT

- Our Geography Curriculum is high quality, well thought out and is planned to demonstrate progression.
- As children progress throughout the school, they develop a deep knowledge, understanding and appreciation of their local area and its place within the wider geographical context.
- If children are evidencing knowledge, skills and understanding of the taught curriculum, they are deemed to be making good or better progress.

- Children at Holy Cross are equipped with geographical skills and knowledge that will enable them to be ready for the curriculum at Key Stage 3 and for life as an adult in the wider world.
- We want the children to have enjoyed learning about geography, thus encouraging them to undertake new life experiences now and in the future.