

Geography at Ashby Hastings Primary School

Intent

Our Geography Curriculum will encourage our children to have curiosity and inquisitiveness about the world in which they live, whilst comparing and contrasting features. Local studies relating to the development of land use in and around Ashby, the Ashby Canal and local industry, for example where coal mining was situated at Moira, will be integrated into our Geography curriculum. We will encourage and create an appreciation of how the world works and of the connections between concepts such as community, cultural diversity and sustainability. It is our intention that our Geography curriculum will be both stimulating and motivating in order to capture our pupil's curiosity. Our pupils will be provided with exciting learning opportunities to motivate them to enjoy acquiring and developing their skills and knowledge and perceive the world as an interesting place.

Implementation

Through our Geography curriculum children will gain a curiosity and fascination about the world around them. Geographical concepts, knowledge and understanding will be taught through topics and also covered cross curricular through other subject areas. There will also be enrichment days to supplement the curriculum time and expand the learning beyond the classroom, out into the environment and wider world. The National Curriculum underpins our teaching and learning of Geography. We feel that the promotion of a language rich Geography curriculum is essential to the successful acquisition of knowledge and understanding in Geography. Children will be encouraged to enquire about their topic of interest and develop their independence when locating places, describing places and exploring the outdoors. Children will access resources to acquire learning through atlases, text books, maps, digital technology and photographs and will use a range of secondary resources to develop their knowledge and understanding that is integral to their learning. In order to enhance the curriculum for geography children access the local area at least once each year.

Impact

Children will be able to confidently discuss the local area in terms of their geographical knowledge. They will be able to compare different locations in the UK and in the world, they will progressively develop their map skills as they move up the school and they will have the opportunity to experience using computer software to explore physical and human features. Children will understand how Geography has shaped their lives and the world today. Continuing to build on their knowledge, we hope that the children will continue to be interested in the developments of our planet throughout their life. Children will have a good understanding of locational knowledge and have an understanding of where places are and what they are like. As children progress through the school, they will develop knowledge of the world around them and also think about their local area and its place within the wider world.