

## Geography Statement

### Rationale

At MPS we believe that geography is an essential part of the curriculum and teachers ensure that the children develop their knowledge of geographical enquiry, physical geography, human geography and geographical knowledge.

We recognise the importance of learning outdoors and we aim to create an outdoor area which is stimulating, exciting and is used throughout the year as a learning environment



### Foundation stage using maps and clues to find stick man.

Through the teaching of geography we aim to:

- Help pupils develop knowledge and understanding of places and themes including patterns and processes.
- Foster children's sense of wonder at the world around them.
- Help pupils develop a sense of identity through learning about the U.K. and its relationships with other countries.
- Develop an informed concern about the future of the planet.
- Enhance children's sense of responsibility for the earth and its inhabitants.
- Teach the skills and knowledge necessary to develop children as geographers.
- Encourage learning through enquiry-based projects and lessons in order to develop

### Organisation and planning

Geography is taught as part of our themed curriculum and is linked to other subjects when appropriate.

Outdoor education is part of all the areas of the curriculum and children enjoy the benefits of our extensive grounds with wellingtons being part of our uniform so that the weather is not a barrier to learning outside.

Resources.

In all classrooms children have access to child friendly atlases and globes. Each classroom also has world, UK and Europe maps permanently displayed. We have Geo Caches available and a weather station.



Using the Geo-Cache Trackers



Look at our extensive grounds



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