

Geography – Protected Characteristics

The Equality Act 2010

The Equality Act 2010 is a law in the UK that helps protect people from discrimination, ensuring everyone is treated fairly and equally. It ensures that everyone in Britain is protected from discrimination, harassment and victimisation based upon the nine protected characteristics. Through our geography curriculum, we ensure that our children understand we are all different, we should celebrate our differences and that we are all equal.



The 9 Protected Characteristics are actively promoted in school through:

- Our school ethos statements, SDP, and SEF
- Our school core values
- Our school behaviour policy
- Conscious role modelling by all adults in the school community
- Active engagement and communication with parents and carers
- Assemblies

- British Values
- Discussion within curriculum
- Promoting articulation by building appropriate language and a coherent vocabulary
- PSHE
- Religious Education (RE) lessons
- Sporting, Art and Cultural Events
- Pupil Voice
- Educational visits
- Real-life learning outside the classroom
- Guest speakers
- Extra-curricular activities, after-school clubs, charity work and work within the local community

Geography

Children are given the opportunity to discover and learn about a range of countries and human and physical features of these, allowing them to develop a curiosity about the wider world.

Our geography curriculum explores a wide range of cultures, communities, and environments, helping children understand and value different ways of life.

The study of global and local contexts enables pupils to develop empathy, fairness, and a sense of social responsibility. Through our local study, children will carry out fieldwork to help them learn more about their local area and how they can contribute to looking after it.

The teaching and learning of the natural world is a way to demonstrate the importance of equality and mutual respect, such as the exploration of different countries and how these are similar and different to our own, with the aim to celebrate everyone's differences.

Understanding diversity within our world is linked to how diversity is important in society.

Understanding where other people live can help children understand different societies and cultures. This helps them to acknowledge and understand how different protected characteristics require society to adapt and accommodate diverse needs.