# Little Bollington C of E Primary School



Geography Curriculum Journey EYFS-Year 6



Through Faith, we are changing our lives for the better, forever How is this reflected in our Geography Curriculum?

At Little Bollington, we aim to provide our children with the skills and knowledge to go out into the world and become good, respectful, caring citizens of the world and their environment. We want to produce children who care for the environment, understand the challenges we face in the future, deepen the children's understanding of local issues and how they are connected to the wider world. Through human geography we will learn all about people of different cultures, the similarities and differences, and hope that this will lead to a greater understanding and reduce prejudice, creating a future generation of global citizens.

## **Our Intent**

"A high-quality geography education should inspire in pupils a curiosity and fascination about the world and its people that will remain with them for the rest of their lives"

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At Little Bollington, we aim to build on our children's curiosity by introducing them to the natural and human world, initially through exploring their local environment and gradually building outwards towards the wider world.

We expect that the study of geography will equip our children with an understanding of places, people, resources and environments around them. Through a knowledge-rich curriculum, our pupils will be able to build on prior learning about physical and human processes and the formation and use of landscapes and environments. They will develop an understanding that the Earth's features are interconnected and change over time. We will encourage an exploration of their own environment and challenge pupils to make connections between their local surroundings and that of contrasting settlements in different places in the world. Wherever possible, we will use our local area and community to develop geographical skills and knowledge.

We aim for our children to think and work like geographers through carefully selected enquiry questions and fieldwork that build and extend the children's knowledge.

### **Our Children**

Our children come to school from a variety of areas away from Little Bollington and they have varying experiences of their locality, the UK and of the Wider World. They are very creative, curious and resourceful when it comes to their learning and are keen to gather knowledge of the world.

#### **Our Learning Threads**

Due to our mixed year groups at Little Bollington we aim to develop the children's learning in Geography through Key Learning Threads.

- Locational and Place Knowledge
- My Place in and Responsibility to the World
- Similarities and Differences
- Physical and Human Geography
- Working Like a Geographer

While many of the learning units will touch on most of these threads, each unit will have a clear focus on two or three of these threads to gradually build the children's schema in these areas. These are highlighted on the curriculum road map.

In addition, we further split the learning into Local, UK and World Geography. Through EYFS and Key Stage 1 we aim for the children to have a secure knowledge of their local surroundings and the geography of the UK with a gradual introduction to the wider world. In Lower Key Stage 2 we link the local geography to the learning of physical and human aspects of their immediate and near locality. Additionally, they will revisit and add to their understanding of the Geography of the UK. They will further explore the wider world through a focus study of countries and climates across Europe. By Upper Key Stage 2 we aim for our children to consolidate their learning and have opportunities to make links across the subject and to do some deep thinking around local and global issues that impact on them.

#### **Our Implementation**

Geography is taught half termly, focusing on knowledge and skills set out in the curriculum documentation. We implement a curriculum that is progressive and tailored to the needs of our children at Little Bollington. The curriculum builds year-on-year and key concepts are continually revisited and reinforced.

- 1. Substantive Knowledge: (Our children will know) Our geography curriculum encompasses a wide range of substantive knowledge, organised into key themes, such as locational knowledge, place knowledge, physical geography and human geography and interconnections. These are plotted through Local Study, UK Study and Wider World Study.
- 2. Disciplinary Knowledge: (Our children will do) Beyond substantive knowledge, our curriculum emphasizes disciplinary knowledge. Our children gain an understanding of how geographical knowledge originates and essential geographical skills like map reading, data analysis, and fieldwork techniques.
- 3. Enquiry Questions are used to introduced units to foster investigation, curiosity and a fascination of the natural world.

Units will start with a gathering of the children's existing knowledge and understanding to plan for varying levels of prior experiences. Where possible the children will learn through first hand experiences, field work and real-life examples. For our children to know and remember more over time, multiple opportunities are built into lesson to retrieve key knowledge and activation of prior learning. When it aids the learning, links are made to other subjects and high-quality texts that complement the geographical themes.

## **Our Impact**

When our children leave Little Bollington, we aim to ensure that they will:

-continue to ask questions and develop a sense of wonder in the world

-maintain their curiosity

-have secure geographical substantive and disciplinary knowledge to access the key stage 3 curriculum

-understand their responsibility to the environment locally and in the wider world

Our children will leave us responsible, knowledgeable, and globally aware citizens with the knowledge and skills that equips them to navigate an ever-changing world with confidence.

Monitoring takes place on a regular basis including pupil voice, lesson observations, book looks and learning walks, which all evidence pupils having a good understanding of what they have been taught and the associated vocabulary.



	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2	
EYFS	Past and Present – Can you changes over time Past and Present – To sort p and present	photographs from the past	My life timeline – To being t things happen Toy Box – To look at toys fre	-	Spot the Difference – To compare pictures from the past and present Treasure Box – Recognising that Kings and Queens are usually powerful people that rule over others		
	Our school from above – to consider shapes and positions of features when making a map Let's build a map – To build and describe a model of a familiar place		Creating journey sticks – to describe a journey using objects as prompts Investigating maps – to explore a range of maps		Exploring and observing the effects of different weather conditions Interacting with the natural world through the seasons		
Year 1	Local Geography-Physical	Local History- significant	UK Geography-	Changes within Living	World Geography-	Significant Individuals	
Year 2	Geography and Mapping	places and people	4 Countries of the UK The Queens Handbag	Memory Social Change	Hot and Cold Places	Goods and Trade/Social	
	How can we show what you	Local Study Dunham- Life in the past	The Queens Handbag	Major Dizzy, Major Glad	How do we explore the	Change	
	will find in our local area?	Daily Life	Is the UK the same all over?		world?	Explorers	
				Is a skipping rope more fun		Who was the greatest	
		What was it like to live at		than an iPad?		Explorer?	
		Dunham Massey?					
Year 3	UK Geography- Topography	Settlements-	Local Geography-	Settlements-	World Geography-	Settlements-	
Year 4	and Mapping Rivers and	Stone Age to the Bronze	River Bollin and the Water	Ancient Egypt	Europe and Environmental	Roman Invasion of Britain	
	Mountains	Age	Cycle		Regions	What did the Romans settle	
	What can maps tell us	Why was the move from	How has the river Bollin	Why was Ancient Egypt		in Britain?	
	about Geography of the	the Stone Age to the	changed?	called 'The Gift of the Nile'?			
	UK?	Bronze age a big deal?	, i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i		Where in Europe should we		
					take our holiday?		
Year 5	UK Geography- Counties and Cities		Local Geography- OS	Social Change	Social Change	World Geography-	
Year 6			Mapping		Women who changed the	Environmental	
	What are some of the counties and cities of the UK and where are they located?			Local Study- Tatton	world	Llow con we chonce the	
			Where can we take class 3/4 on a walk around our		Who had the greatest	How can we change the world?	
			local area?		impact on social change?	World.	

Humanities Overview Year A

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2	
EYFS							
Year 1	Local Geography-	Local History-	UK Geography-	Changes within living	World Geography-	Events Beyond Living	
Year 2	Human Geography and	significant places and	Where I live and	memory	Contrasting Locality	Memory	
	Environmental	people	different places near	Developments in	Non-European Country	Social Change/Good	
		Social Change	me	Communication		and Trade	
	How can we improve	Local Study Tatton- Life		Social Change	How are Little	The First Flight	
	our school/local area?	in the past	What can I see through		Bollington and Pointe-		
			my classroom window?	-	a-Pierre the same or	How did the Wright	
		Who lived upstairs and		grandparents invite	different? How would	brothers succeed	
		downstairs at Tatton		people to their party?	you welcome a child	where others had	
		Hall?			into your own area?	failed?	
Year 3	UK Geography-	Daily Life	Local Study- Mapping	Daily Life	World Geography-	Daily Life	
Year 4	Regions and Cities of		Canals Vs Rivers	The Bridgewater Canal	Europe- comparison	Ancient Greece	<b>Humanities</b>
	the UK	Tatton Study					
			How is the course of	How did the building	Where would you	What was life in	Overview
	What is our region of	What was life like for a	River Bollin different	of the Bridgewater	rather live- (area of	Ancient Greece like	
	the North West like?	child living at Tatton?	from the Bridgewater	Canal change people's	Greece) or the North	and what impact does	Year
			Canal?	lives?	West?	it have on our daily life	
						today?	
Year 5	World Geography-	Raw Materials, Goods	Local Geography and	Raw Materials, Goods	Raw Materials, Goods	World Geography and	
Year 6		and Trade	Environmental-	and Trade	and Trade	sustainability	
	North and South			Local History- Tatton			
	America	Mayan			Trade through the ages	Fair Trade	
			How has Little	How is Tatton linked to			
	How similar are North	If you could represent	Bollington Changed	the exploration and		How can we ensure	
	and South America?	the ancient Mayan by 3	_	Slave trade?	How has trade changed		
		objects, what objects	in the future?		over the years?	fair deal when it comes	
		would you use that				to trade?	
		represents their					
		accomplishments?					