

Curriculum Rationale

Geography



William Hulme's Grammar School
The best in everyone™
Part of United Learning

Intent

The purpose of the geography curriculum is to inspire curiosity in pupils, and a fascination about the world and its people. Geography provides pupils with knowledge of diverse places, people, resources, and natural and human environments, with a deep understanding of the Earth's physical and human processes. The geography curriculum prepares pupils for each stage of their academic journey but also the world beyond the classroom by ensuring that young people can think like geographers and use their geographical knowledge to make sense of the world around them.

The Geography Department's vision at William Hulme's is to deliver a knowledge-rich curriculum that is cohesive, cumulative and highly sequenced. It is academic, rigorous and challenging, and designed with long-term memory in mind; students' knowledge, skills and understanding are cemented by frequent and systematic revisiting.

Implementation

In order to help our students, achieve their full potential, we deliver a knowledge-rich curriculum which provides them with the foundation on which to build further study and skill development. The curriculum is sequential and chronological, contextualising content to secure students' understanding of how the small details form a part of the bigger picture and how it's relevant. This helps students make links between their subjects, such as the crossover between Geography and Sciences, for example.

The curriculum has been designed with content and skill development underpinned by age-related key performance indicators (KPIs). Lessons are planned in order to help students achieve good working knowledge of content, and content is frequently revisited to aid this.

Impact

We aspire for all students to leave the WHGS with a sound knowledge and understanding of the world we live in and to enable them to become global citizens who will make positive contributions to our ever-changing earth. Our Geography curriculum throughout KS3 KS4 and KS5 is specifically aimed at setting students up well for the next step, whether that be GCSE, A-Level or further studies.