## Geography

Geography is challenging, motivating, topical and fun. At Fullwood, we believe that in our diverse society children need, more than ever before, to understand other people and cultures.

Geography, as part of the Humanities curriculum, forms an important aspect of the foundation curriculum at Fullwood. The study of geography incorporates studies reflecting the school grounds, the local area, national geography and global environment we live in, all of which forms the wider world around us.

Geography teaches an understanding about places and environments. Through their work in geography, children learn about their local area and compare their life in Barkingside with that in other regions in the UK and the rest of the world. They learn how to draw and interpret maps and develop the skills of research, investigation, analysis and problem solving. The teaching of geography develops the concept of citizenship and children gain an appreciation of life in other cultures. The teaching of geography also motivates children to find out about the physical world and enables them to recognise the importance of sustainable development.

The key aims of geography teaching at Fullwood are to:

- Stimulate the knowledge and understanding of places in the world.
- Increase children's knowledge of other cultures; develop understanding of what it means to be a positive citizen.
- Learn to interpret a range of sources of geographical information, including maps, diagrams, globes, aerial photographs and Geographical Information Systems (GIS)
- Develop geographical enquiry skills of research, investigation and analysis.
- To collect, analyse and communicate a range of data









