

# Geography Vision

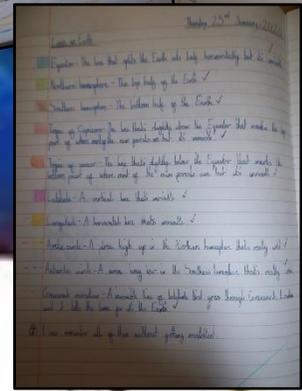
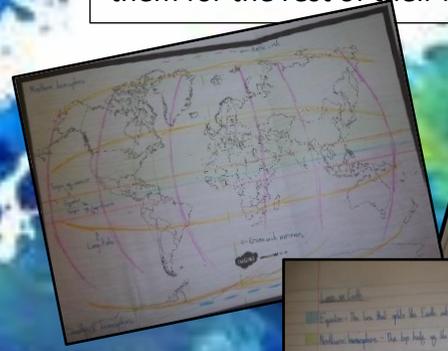
**What does Geography look like at St Mary's?**  
Geography inspires pupils and fills them curiosity and fascination about the world and its people that will remain with them for the rest of their lives.

I like discovering things about countries I didn't know about.  
Kayla Y4

I liked doing an assembly about Chinese New Year.  
Finley, Reception

I enjoyed learning a song about the seven continents.  
Dimitris Y2

I like that we learn about things that have happened in different places in history.  
Tihanna Y4



**Our vision for Geography at St. Mary's**  
At St Mary's we see Geography as an extension of our work in RE. We intend to promote skills and knowledge of our world, its people and places in order that our children can take responsibility for their role in society. We believe that by developing the children's understanding of the various factors that affect the environment it will promote a richer and deeper life in Christ. This life will be based upon the values of, tolerance, respect, conservation, peace and above all else an appreciation for all God's gifts and love of neighbour.



**Why is Geography important?**  
Geography is more than identifying countries on a globe. Geography is learning about God's great planet: how it is used, who lives on it and why we need to protect it. At St Mary's we implement the fundamental skills necessary for children to collect, analyse and communicate geographical information, whilst developing a contextual knowledge of the location of globally significant places.

**What links are there between Geography and other subjects as well as school life?**  
Due to our topic based approach to learning, children experience Geography in an enriching, meaningful, impactful and cross curricular way. In History, they research the homelands of significant people from the past; looking at where they lived, why and how. In RE, children learn about people from other cultures, past and present, who have spread the message of God around the globe.

**What events take place as part of our Geography curriculum?**  
The Global Goals project is teaching children more about our world and how to look after it. We will soon have a club that celebrates the links between History and Geography that will inspire the researchers, archaeologists and geographers of the future.