## **Geography Governors Report July 2023**

### **Curriculum Coverage**

This year, we have continued to update the Geography scheme of work, ensuring every year group has quality shared texts and a vocabulary list for each topic; quiz questions to help review prior knowledge and the appropriate resources needed for each lesson.

Some Geography highlights;

Our Foundation Stage children loved talking about where they live and who lives with them. They explored different types of homes in the local area and through books and images compared them to homes from around the world.

Year 1 enjoyed learning about the Equator and the North and South Poles. They learnt about the typical weather in these locations and discussed some interesting questions including 'Has anyone travelled to the Arctic?' and 'How did they get there?' They also investigated how they could keep their ears warm when they were outside on a cold day.

In Year 2 the children loved their Island Adventures topic. They created their own maps of the Isle of Struay (based on the Isle of Coll) and programmed Spheros to locate significant countries and landmarks on a World map. They also compared weather patterns between Birkenhead and the Isle of Coll too.









The children in Year 3 had great fun learning about our local city – Liverpool. They located Liverpool on a range of maps and focussed on some of the city's key landmarks. The children also enjoyed examining the different ways people choose to travel to Liverpool.

Year 4 'travelled' to different countries across Europe comparing each one to the UK. They explored Finland, France, Spain, Austria and Russia looking at both the physical and human features found in each location.









In Year 5 the children loved learning about natural disasters and how they may occur. They created fact files about volcanoes and earthquakes to deepen their understanding. They also explored the different biomes found across the World.

Year 6 pupils enjoyed learning about rivers from around the world. They compared their length, how they are used and how they benefit society. The children also learnt about the water cycle, exploring why it rains and where rain comes from.









### **Events**

Throughout the year there have been many educational visits linked to our Geography curriculum and all year groups have completed a range of fieldwork activities too. Here are some of our favourites!

Foundation Stage – visit to Vale Park for a fairy hunt and pirate treasure hunt.

Year 1 – visit to New Brighton linked to their Seaside topic.

Year 2 – trip to Eastham Woods.

Year 3 – exploring Liverpool and its landmarks.

Year 4 – Barnstondale residential

Year 5 - Orienteering in the outdoor classroom

Year 6 – Conway residential

### **End of Year Data**

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	% Below expectation	% At expectation	% Above expectation
Year 1	16	59	26
Year 2	20	54	25
Year 3	22	52	27
Year 4	37	50	13
Year 5	10	57	34
Year 6	24	50	26

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