



Covid 19 Update to Geography Policy

The following additions to our policy have been made in light of guidance published by the Government regarding Covid 19 and the wider opening of school.

(<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools-july-2nd-2020>). All of the following expectations have been put in place to ensure the safety of our whole school community.

Teaching of Geography:

- Geography is an integral part of a broad and balanced curriculum and should be taught in line with the timetabling agreed by SLT.
- Children should not be sharing resources outside of their bubble. Resources will be placed on tables prior to the lesson to ensure children do not need to move around the classroom.
- Teachers should use medium term planning alongside relevant policy and risk assessments to ensure lessons are safe and appropriate. If a class teacher is unsure about the teaching of a particular lesson, they should seek advice from the Geography subject lead.
- Fieldwork should be taught as a key Geographic skill, ensuring any lessons outside do not clash with other bubble logistics. (Please see specific Geography Risk Assessment)
- Children should wash their hands before and after going outside to conduct fieldwork.
- Equipment should be cleaned frequently and meticulously especially between uses and between bubbles.
- Equipment must be unused between bubbles for 48 hours (72 hours for plastic) before being used again.
- When equipment has been used within the classroom it must be kept inside the classroom bubble for 48 hours (72 hours for plastic) before being placed back into correct cupboards.
- All assessment pieces should be completed to assess learning and progress in Geography.
- Geography lead to manage resources between bubbles. (eg. Atlases)
- Trips, Off-Site Fieldwork and guest speakers are not to go ahead until further notice. This will be reviewed according to Government Guidance and Advice.
- Power Projects will not be sent home for Autumn 1.