

QPHS Curriculum Intent - Geography

The Queen's Park High School curriculum is designed to fulfil the schools core vision; 'Inspiring Individuals, Empowering Minds, Defining Futures.'

Inspiring Individuals

- A broad and balanced dynamic curriculum through an adaptive pedological approach, including dual coding and the schema theory. This allows values of appreciation, global responsibility, debate and discussion; empowering and inspiring students to become global citizens and develop a love for geography.
- Students develop their geographical knowledge with clear logical progression, and are able to reflect upon this through extra-curricular opportunities such as Environmental Sustainability tours and regeneration sites.
- Geography strives to support students in achieving their best through encouragement and communication.

Empowering Minds

- Our geography students learn in a **dynamic and interactive environment**, in which students extend their understanding of the **complexity of the world** they live in.
- There is an **explicit focus on literacy**, in regard to vocabulary and **expression of ideas** so that students can **express their opinions**, whilst being **open minded and curious**, creating a more **balanced view** of the world.
- All abilities are challenged to support their development in becoming lifelong learners and enhances their curiosity for learning through the questions they ask in order to interpret the past, present and future.

Defining Futures

- Geography encourages education 'outside of the classroom' and clearly defines career pathways in every lesson, highlighting the importance of the three major disciplines in the subject.
- Students study a breadth of geographical content moving between the human and physical applications of geography, which in turn perpetuates a respectful personal outlook.
- In geography, we aim to ensure students are aware of **challenges** that humans face in an **ever changing world** using current media articles and real life events.