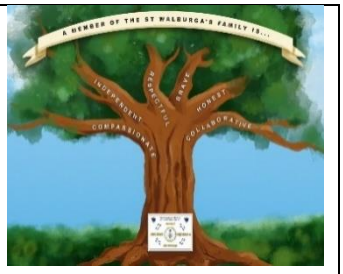
	As St. Walburga's school family we walk in the footsteps of Jesus by … • welcoming all • learning to be the best we can • joining together in prayer • serving God and one another	

Geography Curriculum Intent

Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. [31] God saw all that he had made, and it was very good.

The study of geography is about more than just memorizing places on a map. It's about understanding the complexity of our world, appreciating the diversity of cultures that exists across continents. And in the end, it's about using all that knowledge to help bridge divides and bring people together. **Barack Obama**

At St Walburga's School we believe that Geography should inspire children to develop a curiosity and fascination about the world in which they live. Our aim is that this interest in both the natural and human aspects of the world will remain with them for the rest of their lives.

It is our intention that geography will by its nature develop spiritual, moral, social and cultural awareness, values which are an integral part of our school ethos. At St Walburgas we expose children to global issues so that they understand some of the complexities and disparities in the world.

Our curriculum is designed to ensure that children are equipped with knowledge about diverse places, people, resources and natural and human environments. As children move through the school they develop a growing understanding of human and physical processes through more in-depth studies of people and locations.

Our geography curriculum enables children to develop knowledge and skills that are transferrable to other curriculum areas. We have a progressive and sequenced curriculum so that skills are built upon and enriched. We want children to have practical geographical skills that involve collecting data, using maps, photographs and digital mapping to explore countries, continents and oceans. We strive to develop the children's love of the world in which we live by making the most of the practical experiences in our local environment as we are fortunate enough to live both by the sea and the New Forest.

Our purpose is to prepare our pupils for the key stage 3 geography curriculum and beyond.