

Whyteleaf School



International Curriculum Links

Aim High • Be Independent • Enjoy Yourself

Rationale

At Whyteleaf School, we believe that a partnership between the children, the parents and carers and the school is essential to support children to succeed. Children succeed best when this partnership is based on mutual understanding and trust. We believe that a range of international experiences as well as local will enhance the children's learning and raise awareness of their national / international identity.

Purposes

- To provide an informed awareness of countries, cultures and languages other than our own.
- To develop curiosity about other cultures.
- To promote the use of ICT in meaningful contexts for the development of communication skills.
- To provide an added opportunity for the promotion of equal opportunities, racial equality and citizenship.
- To encourage pupils to examine their own world and learn from different perspectives.

We wish to provide children and staff with a wider variety of experiences both within, and in addition to the National Curriculum, and as an essential aspect of our Humanities and Mfl schemes of work. We believe we can achieve this by having an international dimension as a part of our ethos.

We hope to:

- Develop links with other schools in other countries.
- Welcome to our school, teachers and pupils from other countries.
- Encourage interest and motivation through an opportunity for first hand experiences of life in another country.
- Promote communication through writing letters and e-mails to friends abroad.
- Provide staff with opportunities to compare different teaching and learning styles.
- Raise awareness and appreciation of other environments and what is happening in the world.
- Develop cross-curricular activities with an international theme for all children.