

Intent:

**Communication,  
language &  
vocabulary**

**Books and reading**

**Experienced-based  
learning**

**Knowledge and  
retaining  
knowledge**



Geography explains the past, illuminates the present and prepares us for the future.  
What could be more important than that? –Michael Palin, 2007

- Geography at Bank Leaze allows our students to understand the world they live in and their place within it. We aim to deepen children's understanding of the local area they live in (Lawrence Weston and Bristol) as well as broadening their horizons and opening up the wider world beyond their doorstep.
- Our Geography curriculum enables children to understand our world, its past, present and future direction as well as the beliefs and traditions that have shaped others and ourselves; therefore, in Geography, they will examine the physical features of countries close and far and broaden their knowledge with an appreciation of different cultures and traditions.
- We aim to develop pupils' curiosity for learning about the wider world in order to challenge thinking and beliefs that are rooted in limited experience and exposure in some aspects of the modern world; our geography units are planned with this in mind.
- Using current affairs and world news as our stimulus, we want children to be aware of the physical and human challenges that the modern world faces, both locally and across the globe so that we develop informed citizens who have the confidence, knowledge and skills to improve the world they live.
- With our school focus of incorporating the outdoors wherever possible each unit of work will provide the children to explore the great outdoors wherever possible, this may include a special visitor or educational visit.