



St Hilary's School International Policy

Introduction

St Hilary's School believes that it is important, in an increasingly global community, that the children are aware of their place in the world. We believe that the children can learn through sharing experiences of different countries around the world and that this develops an understanding and of different cultures and people, as well as raising awareness of their own national identity.

We actively promote democracy, the rule of the law, individual liberty, and respect those with different faiths and beliefs. These are fundamental British Values which underpin all that we offer, as does our School Motto 'Not for oneself but for all.'

Aims and Objectives

- To work towards achieving re-accreditation for the International School Award.
- To continue to embed the global dimension within the school curriculum, engaging students to celebrate their own cultural identity and foster respect for other cultures, languages and religions.
- To provide pupils with an informed awareness of countries, cultures and languages other than their own.
- To encourage greater involvement by pupils in environmental issues.
- To develop pupils' ICT skills in meaningful contexts for the development of communication skills.

Strategies 2013 - 2016

- To develop links with schools in other countries in Europe and further afield. (Ombrosa and Machwa).
- Hold an International Day to celebrate pupils from other countries in our school and to participate in activities from around the world.
- To look at international themes within our curriculum.
- To appoint an International Schools Co-ordinator.
- To write this International Policy and regularly update it.

Strategies 2016 to 2019

- To maintain links with schools in other countries in Europe and further afield. (Ombrosa - France, Machwa – Tanzania, Sandford - Ethiopia).
- To carry out an audit of international work in the curriculum and record it.

- Welcome, to our school, teachers and visitors from other countries.
- Raise an awareness of environmental issues other than those in our locality, through joint projects with other schools.
- Promote communication through writing letters and emails to friends abroad. (Ombrosa, Machwa, twin towns).
- Provide staff with opportunities to compare different teaching and learning styles abroad through courses or visits.
- 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.

Strategies 2019 to 2022

- To make links with other schools and act as an Ambassador to assist them in achieving Full Accreditation.
- To improve on our existing activities to enrich the curriculum for all pupils.

Strategies 2022 - 2025

- To apply for re-accreditation
- To appoint a new International Schools Co-ordinator

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