



## International Policy

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### Introduction & Purpose of Policy

Through an international focus in line with the school's fundamental commitment to broadening horizons at Wapping High School, we are able to offer our students a range of experiences that will enhance their learning and raise awareness of their national and international 'global' identity. This global identity is reflected in the attitudes and values of all our learners, Governors, Staff and school community.

### Aims:

- To provide an informed awareness of countries, cultures and languages other than our own.
- To encourage greater involvement in global issues.
- To develop curiosity about other cultures.
- To enable students, Staff and Governors to appreciate, understand and ultimately experience daily life in other countries.
- To promote the use of technology and digital skills in meaningful contexts for the development of communication skills.
- To provide an added opportunity for the promotion of the rights of the child, equal opportunities, racial equality and community cohesion.

### Objectives:

By having an international approach as part of our ethos, we can provide students and staff with a wider variety of experiences both within and in addition to the National Curriculum.

Our objectives are:

- To work towards obtaining Full International School Award Accreditation.
- To continue to develop links with schools in countries around the world.
- To develop a variety of global learning partnerships.
- To continue to welcome teachers and pupils from other countries to share learning and good practice.

- To raise awareness and appreciation of global issues other than those in our locality through joint projects with global partners.
- To continue to promote communication with national and international partners through letters, emails and other digital medias.
- To provide staff with opportunities to compare different teaching and learning styles internationally.
- To continue the development of meaningful cross-curricular activities with an international theme for all students.
- To develop opportunities for oracy and literacy through international projects.
- To involve our wider school community in our international approach.

### **Evaluation:**

International partnerships are a key part of our School Development Plan, which is evaluated regularly and reported to Governors. The International is reviewed annually by the International Partnerships Lead and as part of the Governors Review Timetable.

Governors and staff recognise that:

- International and global issues are an important part of the lives of our diverse student body.
- Inclusivity and a celebration of internationalism should be reflected in the attitudes and values of our students, the ethos of the school and the curriculum.
- As a school we have a commitment to equality of race, ethnicity, gender, sexuality and religion.