

INTERNATIONAL POLICY

AIM/PURPOSE:

To develop a number of links and activities to ensure that Trinity students are able to develop into well qualified citizens of the world and for the school to achieve the British Council's International School Award.

GENERAL PRINCIPLES:

We recognise that:

- Global issues are an important part of the lives of our students living in a world where economies are increasingly interdependent and global communication is a daily reality. Our students have access to the internet and increased opportunity to travel, watch news stories from around the world and follow international events as they happen.
- The global dimension should be reflected in the attitudes and values of our students, the ethos and values Trinity as a faith school.

The international policy will further enable our students to know more about global issues and to:

Celebrate the richness and variety of different communities, nationalities and countries.

Understand complex international interdependencies in the global economy.

Respect and value different cultures and beliefs.

Enjoy contact with students and adults living in different countries.

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- To consolidate and develop our existing links with France (French department link and mathematics), Namibia (whole school, especially citizenship) and Spain (Spanish department link) and to plan additional links.
- To maintain the International School Award (ISA) and achieve the full Certificate.
- To identify and embed the global dimension in new areas of the curriculum and to conduct an annual audit of our curriculum. This, in turn, will lead to action plans which develop key concepts of the global dimension so that this is clearly mapped in the learning of students.
- To develop and fully exploit a variety of global learning partnerships, such as:
 - e-mail and internet projects including video conferencing
 - Interacting with visitors from other countries.
 - Student/staff visits to places of cultural interest in the UK and abroad
 - Educational trips abroad for students
- To actively encourage the study of foreign languages for all and giving students the opportunity to understand a range of appropriate language options beyond Trinity.
- To increase the awareness of the global dimension amongst staff, students and the wider school community.

In order to achieve the ISA full certificate, the British Council states that the school must complete the following, which will be monitored throughout the year:

- Conduct a survey of young people's and educators' understanding of global themes and education in other countries.
- Develop a partnership with a school in another country.

- Complete curriculum activities in the previous year, including collaboration with a partner school in another country. The activities should involve several curriculum subjects in the school.
- Planned international activities across the school involving significant numbers of students.
- Evaluate success criteria through staff and students self-evaluation in order to progress with future planning.

MONITORING AND EVALUATION

This will be undertaken by the school's International Links Coordinator in liaison with the Head, discussed and approved by the Governors' Curriculum Committee and ratified by the Full Governing Body.