The Geography curriculum at Bassingbourn Village College aims to inspire curiosity about the world and develop students' understanding of the dynamic relationships between people, places and environments. Through a carefully sequenced, knowledge-rich curriculum, students build strong locational knowledge, geographical understanding, critical thinking and fieldwork skills while exploring local, national and global issues. We have high aspirations for every student and ensure that all learners develop the knowledge and confidence to succeed, regardless of their starting point.

Our ambitious curriculum encourages students to think like geographers by asking questions, analysing evidence, interpreting maps and data, evaluating different perspectives, and drawing informed conclusions about the world around them. Students develop a secure understanding of both physical and human geography, recognising how natural and human processes interact at a range of scales. Through this, they become environmentally responsible and globally aware citizens who appreciate the diversity of people, places and cultures in an ever-changing world.

At Bassingbourn, curiosity is at the heart of geography. We inspire students to explore places, understand people and environments, and investigate the challenges and opportunities facing communities both locally and globally. We model sustainable practices, promote environmental responsibility and encourage students to recognise the impact of their actions so they become responsible stewards of the environment.

Fieldwork is a central part of geography at Bassingbourn. Every year group participates in purposeful geographical enquiry, from investigating microclimates around the school site and conducting village sustainability surveys to completing GCSE fieldwork in Cambridge and Sheringham. These experiences bring geography to life, develop practical enquiry skills, strengthen understanding through first-hand investigation and enable students to apply classroom learning to real-world contexts.

Throughout their geographical education, students develop valuable literacy, numeracy, map, GIS and data analysis skills that support learning across the curriculum and prepare them for further study, future careers and active participation in society.