At Horwich Parish, geography is taught within cross-curricular topics.

In KS1, pupils begin to develop knowledge about the world and the United Kingdom but concentrate on the local area of Horwich. They begin to understand basic subject-specific vocabulary relating to human and physical geography and begin to use geographical skills, including local fieldwork, using the outdoor environment, where they devise and read simple maps which enhance their locational awareness.

In KS2, pupils extend their geographical knowledge and understanding beyond the local area to include in depth studies of diverse places of the world including Mexico, the world’s rainforests and the rivers of the world. Through these studies they learn about the resources, natural and human environments, the characteristics and range of the human and physical features, plus the interaction between physical and human processes and how this may all change over time. Through all topics, the children continue to develop their geographical skills and fieldwork which includes using OS maps, drawing sketch maps, measuring river data and using Digimap to enhance learning.

As a church school, we look at the children’s spiritual, moral, social and cultural learning in geography. Examples are:

* spiritually, they are taught how great God must be to make such a beautiful, natural world;
* morally, they are taught to know right from wrong and how important it is for humans to look after our world;
* socially, they are taught to reflect on their place in society and what responsibilities they have;
* culturally, they are taught to embrace and learn about the multi-cultural world we live in.