



Learning For Life and Work

“Preparing students to face potential employers should be given the same level of priority as academic achievement in schools across the UK.”

John Longworth, BCC director general

LLW is the subject that addresses this issue; it prepares students for LIFE and Work.

Learning for Life and Work is a subject which is highly sought after by employers. It helps young people prepare for the work of work and help develop life skills. LLW encourages students to express their views and form their



opinions in a relaxed environment which is more informal using a wide variety of relevant and contemporary resource. This helps young people with communication, independence, self-esteem, social skills/relationships, productive use of time, motivation, and working productively as part of a team. LLW is relevant to all students whatever their aims and ambitions are.

Key Stage 3

Local Global Citizenship is based on the following themes, which are addressed in local, national, European and global contexts: Human Rights and Social Responsibility. Young people learn that a globally accepted values base exists. This is documented in various international human rights charters, which outline the rights and responsibilities of individuals and groups in democratic societies. Young people will learn about their rights but also about their responsibilities.



Diversity and Inclusion Pupils consider the range and extent of diversity and inclusion in local and global societies and identify the challenges and opportunities this presents. This looks at issues such as racism, poverty, sectarianism, cultural diversity and homelessness.

Equality and Social Justice Through investigating the themes of equality and social justice, pupils learn that inequality and injustice exist and have an impact on individuals, groups and society. They begin to recognise that individuals, governments and society have responsibilities to promote equality and justice on a local and global level.

Democracy and Active Participation Young people gain an understanding of how to participate in, and to influence, democratic processes. They also gain an awareness of some key democratic institutions and their role in promoting inclusion, justice and democracy. We look at local and national government and how the Northern Ireland Assembly works.

Local and Global Citizenship is important because it helps young people learn how to participate positively in society, to influence democratic processes and to make informed and responsible decisions as local and global citizens throughout their lives. Through looking at real life situations, pupils explore and express their own values and attitudes about current issues and are challenged to develop an appreciation of the needs and perspectives of others.

Through critical evaluation, informed decision-making and responsible action, Local and Global Citizenship also helps pupils develop a morally and ethically sound value system based on internationally recognised principles of equality, human rights, justice and democracy. It provides important opportunities to help our pupils develop: self-management skills; listening skills and empathy; and leadership, team work and negotiating skills. Local and Global Citizenship involves the discussion of controversial issues surrounding diversity, equality and justice, democracy and active participation.





Pupils are given opportunities to identify and clarify their own values and attitudes and learn how to recognise, understand and manage their emotions and behaviour in a range of situations. Pupils are encouraged to be assertive in challenging prejudice and stereotyping but also to communicate their feelings about diversity, equality, justice and democracy in an appropriate and non-threatening manner.

Key Stage 4

LLW is a subject designed to prepare you for the world of work and help you with life-skills.

LLW covers three strands:

1. Personal Development
2. Citizenship
3. Employability



You gain knowledge and understanding of:

- diversity, social inclusion, rights and responsibilities;
- how to stand up for your rights;
- democratic institutions and processes;
- how to maximise physical and mental health and well-being;
- relationships and parenting
- how to be a discerning consumer and be responsible with money
- the impact of globalisation on employment;
- how to apply for jobs and prepare for interviews;
- developing your 'soft skills'
- how to set up your own business;
- how to manage risk in your life.