

Learning Social Sciences: What you will see in the classroom

- Students developing deeper understandings of how communities interact in different settings
- Participation in social action as a response to understandings gained
- Students asking effective questions
- Encouragement of reflective thought and action
- Making connections with prior learning
- Integration where appropriate across all curriculum areas
- Promote student engagement and ownership through the learning process
- Mistakes and failures are all part of learning
- Students working in flexible groups, pairs or as individuals.
- Research skills being developed and used to promote deeper understanding
- Students being provided with a range of opportunities to create an understanding of, and empathy for others
- Questions being asked by the students and the teacher.
- Individual needs of the students being met.
- Students having an awareness of key historical events, both local and wider – current events programme, etc
- Students working collaboratively and cooperatively where appropriate.
- A basic geographical understanding of New Zealand and the world being developed