

## Synergy Schools

### SPIRITUAL, MORAL, SOCIAL & CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT (SMSC)

#### PROMOTING SMSC ACROSS THE CURRICULUM

<p><b>ENGLISH</b> contributes to children's SMSC development through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developing confidence and expertise in language, which is an important aspect of individual and social identity;</li> <li>• Enabling pupils to understand and engage with the feelings and values embodied in high quality poetry, fiction, drama, film and television;</li> <li>• Developing pupils' awareness of moral and social issues in fiction, journalism, magazines, radio, television and film;</li> <li>• Helping pupils to understand how language changes over time, the influences on spoken, and written language and social attitudes to the use of language.</li> </ul>	<p><b>SCIENCE</b> contributes to children's SMSC development through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encouraging pupils to reflect on the wonder of the natural world;</li> <li>• Awareness of the ways that science and technology can affect society and the environment;</li> <li>• Consideration of the moral dilemmas that can result in scientific developments;</li> <li>• Showing respect for differing opinions, on creation for example;</li> <li>• Co-operation in practical activity;</li> <li>• Raising awareness that scientific developments are the product of many different cultures.</li> </ul>	<p><b>GEOGRAPHY</b> contributes to children's SMSC development through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunities for reflection on the creation, earth's origins, future and diversity are given;</li> <li>• Reflection on the fair distribution of the earth's resources and issues surrounding climate change;</li> <li>• Studies of people and physical geography gives our children the chance to reflect on the social and cultural characteristics of society.</li> </ul>	<p><b>ART</b> contributes to SMSC by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Art lessons develop children's aesthetic appreciation</li> <li>• In turn Art evokes feelings of 'awe' and 'wonder';</li> <li>• Giving pupils the chance to reflect on nature, their environment and surroundings.</li> <li>• Studying artists with spiritual or religious theme, issues raised by artists which concerns ethical issues.</li> </ul>
<p><b>HISTORY</b> makes a contribution to children's SMSC by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Looking at the creation and evolution of British society;</li> <li>• Enabling pupils to reflect on issues such as modern war.</li> <li>• Showing an awareness of the moral implications of the actions of historical figures.</li> </ul>	<p><b>COMPUTING</b> contributes to children's SMSC development through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparing the children for the challenges of living and learning in a technologically-enriched, increasingly inter-connected world;</li> <li>• Making clear the guidelines about the ethical use of the internet;</li> </ul>	<p>Children's SMSC development is actively promoted through <b>PE</b> by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities involving co-operation, teamwork, competition, rules, self-discipline and fair play;</li> <li>• Exploring the sports and traditions of a variety of cultures.</li> <li>• Individual activities that provide the opportunity for self-reflection, awareness and challenge.</li> </ul>	<p><b>DESIGN &amp; TECHNOLOGY</b> lessons make a particular contribution to children's SMSC development through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reflection on products and inventions, the diversity of material and ways in which design can improve the quality of our lives;</li> <li>• Awareness of the moral dilemmas created by technological advances;</li> <li>• How different cultures have contributed to technology;</li> </ul>
		<p><b>FRENCH</b> contributes to children's SMSC development through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children may gain insights into the way of life, cultural traditions, moral and social developments of other people;</li> </ul>	

**MATHEMATICS** can provide a contribution to children's SMSC by:

- Enabling pupils to acknowledge the important contribution made by mathematics by non-western cultures.

- Ensuring children are able to use the internet safely and understand the implications of their own and others' actions online.
- Acknowledging advances in technology and appreciation for human achievement

- Social Skills are developed through group activities and communications exercises.
- Listening skills are improved through oral/aural work.

- Opportunities to work as a team, recognising others' strengths, sharing equipment.