SMSC Subject Statement

Subject: PSHE

Spirtual

PSHE supports spiritual development, through fostering children's awareness and understanding of issues that involve differing beliefs and values in human society. PSHE helps children develop self-knowledge through an exploration of their identity and belonging, their ideals and commitment and the meaning or purpose they see in life.

Moral

PSHE helps moral development by enabling children to acquire a critical appreciation of issues of right and wrong, justice, fairness, rights and obligations in society. Children have opportunities to explore the ethical and moral dimensions of legal, political, social, economic and environmental issues and to exercise responsibility at a personal and social level.

Social

Social development is enabled through the study of PSHE, as children acquire the understanding and skills they need to become responsible and effective members of society. They develop an understanding of how society works and how decisions are influenced and made. They take part in community and social activities that help to promote personal and social skills.

Cultural

PSHE helps cultural development by helping children to understand the nature and role of the different groups to which they belong, to learn about the origins and implications of the diversity in society, and to develop respect for difference.

Opportunities to reflect on spiritual, moral, social and cultural dimensions occur through many aspects of PSHE education. Children are encouraged to consider their own views and opinions about them, for example, as they investigate and think about global and topical issues, problems and events, and as they participate in activities in school, in their neighbourhood and communities.