

SMSC Development through the Endeavour Curriculum

English

Spiritual

English supports spiritual development by:

- Encouraging pupils to explore emotions, ideas and personal beliefs through reading, writing and discussion.
- Helping children reflect on the experiences of characters, considering how people find meaning and purpose in different situations.
- Providing opportunities for creative expression through storytelling, poetry and drama, enabling children to express their inner thoughts and imagination.
- Fostering a sense of wonder through rich language, powerful imagery and encounters with diverse texts.

Moral

English supports moral development by:

- Exposing pupils to stories and texts that explore moral dilemmas, encouraging them to consider right and wrong through characters' choices.
- Helping children understand consequences of actions by analysing plot, motivation and behaviour.
- Encouraging empathy by seeing the world through different viewpoints and voices.
- Developing respectful debate skills as pupils listen to others, justify opinions and engage with moral themes sensitively.

Social

English supports social development by:

- Promoting collaborative learning through group reading, role-play, performances and shared writing tasks.
- Developing communication skills—speaking, listening, explaining and presenting—essential for social interaction.
- Encouraging pupils to work together on discussions, book study and drama activities, building confidence and cooperation.
- Helping children understand relationships and social dynamics through the study of characters and narrative events.

Cultural

English supports cultural development by:

- Introducing pupils to a diverse range of authors, poets, stories and traditions from different cultures and historical periods.
- Encouraging children to appreciate how language, stories and literature reflect cultural identity, heritage and change.
- Supporting understanding of the richness of the English language and its global influences.
- Developing respect and curiosity for other cultures through reading and comparing texts from around the world.