

SMSC Development through the Endeavour Curriculum

Music

Spiritual

Music supports spiritual development by:

- Encouraging pupils to express emotions, imagination and personal identity through singing, composing and performing.
- Helping children experience awe, wonder and a sense of connection through listening to powerful or moving music.
- Providing opportunities for reflection as pupils consider how music makes them feel and how it conveys meaning.
- Allowing children to explore deeper themes—beliefs, hopes, journeys and human experience—through musical interpretation.

Moral

Music supports moral development by:

- Teaching pupils to respect others' ideas during group composition and to value the contributions of all members.
- Encouraging children to discuss themes communicated in music (e.g., struggle, justice, celebration) and consider the messages conveyed.
- Helping pupils understand the importance of fairness, turn-taking and responsibility during rehearsals and performances.
- Promoting integrity and discipline through regular practice, honest self-evaluation and commitment to improvement.

Social

Music supports social development by:

- Providing rich opportunities for collaboration through ensembles, choir, group composition and performance.
- Developing pupils' ability to listen actively, cooperate and work towards a shared goal in rehearsals.
- Building confidence and resilience as children perform for peers, staff, families or the wider community.
- Helping pupils develop communication skills as they discuss musical choices, evaluate performances and provide supportive feedback.

Cultural

Music supports cultural development by:

- Introducing pupils to a wide range of musical styles, genres and traditions from different cultures and historical periods.
- Helping children appreciate how music reflects cultural identity, heritage and worldviews.
- Encouraging respect for diversity by exploring global instruments, rhythms and musical practices.
- Showing pupils how cultural influences shape modern music and how communities celebrate through sound and performance.