

SMSC Map 2023-2024

	Autumn Term	Autumn Term	Autumn Term
Year group	KS4/ Year 11 ASH/ Willow	KS4 Year 10 Maple Beech	KS3 Oak Cedar Rowan
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- Pupils will visit colleges to explore and take a look at college life and have a look at some of the courses they may wish to study.

- Divert group (Wigan FC in the community) will work with every class throughout the school year. Divert will begin the first term with Y11, followed by Year 10 then KS3. This term, pupils will learn team building skills, Diet and nutrition both theory and practical and a rewards trip at the end of term.

- Careers day for the whole school. People from various businesses present their skills, expertise and knowledge about their profession.

- Mock interviews for Y11 pupils from various employers

- PD-Sexual health awareness week. Pupils will be covering topics around sex and relationships

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Cultural	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Careers- Sandra Williams Hairdressing to visit KS4 pupils. • Paralympian Andy Hodge to speak to pupils about overcoming barriers. • Pupils will visit the Liverpool Playhouse Theatre to see “Metamorphosis”. • All pupils learn about equality/diversity in society and look at Black Lives Matter project throughout Black History month. Pupils will 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pupils will visit the Liverpool Playhouse Theatre to see “Metamorphosis”. • All pupils learn about equality/diversity in society and look at Black Lives Matter project throughout Black History month. Pupils will research the history around slavery both past and present. To develop pupil’s awareness and understanding around issues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pupils will visit the Liverpool Playhouse Theatre to see “Metamorphosis”. • All pupils learn about equality/diversity in society and look at Black Lives Matter project throughout Black History month. Pupils will research the history around slavery both past and present. To develop pupil’s awareness and understanding around issues

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The Acorns School Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Development recognise it as a crucial part in helping students to learn, develop and grow. Elements can be found within our school policies and the daily practices of teaching and learning; behavioural and academic expectations; management and leadership and our working partnerships. At the Acorns we believe in support of good human beings, to be purposeful and aware of themselves. We share common citizenship to find a way of working and living together successfully. Our mission is to offer a positive, life enhancing education, providing opportunities for the development of each individual's potential. Our ethos contributes to the SMSC development of students, as well as inspiring a sense of community.

Our holistic approach to nurturing the 'whole' child works to ensure mental, emotional, spiritual and physical growth and well-being. Daily reflection time in form allows pupils to talk about any concerns or issues they have had throughout the day or if they want to celebrate any positive achievements, display any work or just to have a chat about their day. Learners will also hold conversations around current news or world affairs, they will research colleges and what entry requirements are needed to apply for a course of their choice. Supported by staff, pupils will apply for apprenticeships online, pupils receive rewards for good attendance, achievement and behaviour. Awareness days are also covered and celebrated in form times at both the beginning and end of the school day.

We invite guest speakers into school that offer up expertise, support and guidance to students on issues such as, domestic violence, drug awareness, knife crime, exploitation, grooming, home and fire safety. Regular visits from Divert (Wigan FC in the Community) allow our pupils to undertake different workshops such as "restart the heart", Volunteer work in the school such as gardening and also a reward trip at the end of term to Hollywood bowl. Divert group continue their work with some of our pupils through youth work services outside of school which has been a huge success with some of our pupils. We have Natalie Flack from the respect and reflect healthy relationship programme, who delivers 20 hours of lessons across the school year to all pupils in both KS3 and KS4. The topics covered through the year are domestic violence, digital and social media, gender, power and equality and also your feelings and behaviour. At our school, awareness days are celebrated throughout the calendar year with whole school activities included in form times or lesson times.

School trips are organised for Y11 pupils to attend colleges who have their own aspirations of starting apprenticeships or further education. Recent reward trips have seen pupils visit Chester Zoo, Wigan Athletic FC Stadium tour, McDonalds meals for pupils as a reward for excellent attendance, trips out with Divert group to Go karting, Hollywood bowl as a reward for completion of workshops. Pupils participate In the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award where they complete sectional awards in physical, skill and volunteering with an opportunity to take part in the expedition section where pupils will camp off site for 1 night to complete the whole Bronze Award. Pupils will complete all sections of the DofE at The Acorns which are monitored by teaching staff.

School council allows pupils to express their views and what they would like to see introduced into the school day. Boys and Girls groups have provided pupils with the platform to speak out in a safe and none judgemental way about their feelings, pressure of school or home life. Meetings have been held at school and in future at Edge Hill University.

CPD training is encouraged by The Acorns senior leadership team and is offered to all staff. Guest speakers come into school and offer their knowledge and experience in twilight sessions. Staff attend training courses off site which are delivered back to the rest of the members of staff.

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- Drop down days support teachers' and keyworkers and offer pupils the opportunity to take part in extra-curricular activities and learning, improve skills in literacy and numeracy.
- Guest speakers cover a range of topics and offer their expertise and experiences around the specific topics to provide pupils with the advice and support. Guest speakers will be continually added to the SMSC map throughout the school year.
- Awareness days across the school calendar will be celebrated so pupils can learn and understand the importance of iconic days or support educational events that help us learn about history, British values, community, inclusion and education.
- Natalie Flack from connect and respect group delivers programs that educate, support and provide advice to all pupils around domestic abuse, consent domestic violence and healthy relationships. Further classes focus on feelings, gender, power and equality with an online and offline footprint.

Pupils appointments offer parents/ carers the opportunity to visit our school and speak to teachers/ keyworkers and senior leadership team to discuss the progress/ development and behaviour of our pupils.

- Trips and visits are organised to develop pupil's knowledge and provide aspirational opportunities that they can look to continue with their personal development during their time at our school and also on to further education.
 - Our KS4 Y11 pupils will make regular visits to West Lancs College and Hugh Baird college to explore the opportunities that are available to them. Tutors from the Colleges will also visit our school and speak to pupils about the process of applying for college places, completing application forms, researching apprenticeships and guidance on college life.
- The Duke of Edinburgh's Award provides pupils with the opportunity of gaining the Bronze award. Pupils will learn new skills, work as part of a team, show leadership skills, communication skills while logging all of their achievements which will be celebrated at the end of the course. The DofE is renowned across the world which inspires, guides and supports young people in their self- development and recognise their achievements. We achieve this through a structured development programme that's personalised to each individual to each learner.

- School council meetings are to be held to allow pupils to voice their opinion on matters that involve them in every day school life. Findings of the meetings will be discussed with the senior leadership team and any agreed proposals will be introduced into the school day.

- LFC foundation will visit school every Wednesday and work with both KS3 and KS4 pupils. Pupils will plan and deliver sessions around various sports. Pupils will lead warm ups, skill rehearsals and coach the sessions. All pupils will have the opportunity to complete Level 1 Sports Leadership Award. Some KS4 pupils will have the opportunity to continue with the course on to the Level 2 Sports Leadership Award.