SMSC

Growth Achievement Teamwork Enjoyment Success

The Gates Primary School Westhoughton



SMSC CURRICULUM OVERVIEW 2026-27

SMSC STATEMENT OF INTENT

At The Gates, the aim of our SMSC curriculum is to ensure that pupils leave us with a maturing understanding of the experiences and values of others and a growing sense of identity based on personal values and self-worth within a community. We believe that our whole-school vision, ethos and aims reflect our intention to incorporate spiritual, moral, social and cultural values into the very fabric of our school ethos and daily life. We pride ourselves on encouraging children to: enjoy learning, have high expectations of themselves, respect each other and fulfil their true potential. We facilitate this by fostering the values of Growth, Achievement, Teamwork, Enjoyment and Success entering the spirit of a 'can do' culture. We believe that through our unique approaches of enriching experiences, assemblies, SMSC focus questions and Big questions, all children are encouraged to explore values and beliefs, including religious beliefs, and the way in which they impact on peoples' lives. Through the use of high-quality reading texts, children are able to explore stimulus for thinking, learn about diversity and are given the opportunity to form meaningful discussions, thus supporting their conceptual and language development. SMSC helps children to think about: the kind of people we aspire to be, the kind of world we aspire to create, and the kind of education we aspire to provide. By offering every child, whatever their own individual characteristics, the chance to achieve their full potential, we believe they will achieve high standards, providing foundations for future learning leading children to become a responsible member of society and keen to make a positive contribution.

2026/27						
Autumn 1 Term						
The Gates Golden Goals	What is SMSC?	British Values	ADHD Awareness Month	Hate Crime Awareness Week	World Mental Health Day	Black History Month
Autumn 2 Term						
Diwali	Remembrance	Road Safety	UK Parliament Week (democracy)	Protected Characteristics	Disability History Month	Christmas Story
Spring 1 Term						
New Year's Resolutions	Rail Safety	Inclusion	Ramadan	Children's Mental Health Week	Valentine's Day	
Spring 2 Term						
Friendships	Chinese New Year	International Women's Day	Sign Language Week	World Theatre Day		
Summer 1 Term						
Autism Awareness Week	Earth Day	Water Safety	VE Day	International Day of Families	Walk to School Week	Child Safety Week
Summer 2 Term						
World Environment Day	World Ocean Day	Sun Safety	LGBT+ Pride Month	Anti – Bullying	The Emergency Services	Transition