

SMSC CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

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.

2024/2025

Autumn 1 Term (29th August – 18th October)

The Gates Golden Goals	British Values	ADHD Awareness Month	Black History Month	Recycle Week
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Autumn 2 Term (4th November – 20th December)

Remembrance	Switch Off Fortnight	UK Parliament Week	Disability History Month	Equality & Diversity
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Spring 1 Term (6th January – 14th February)

New Years Resolutions	World Religion Day	LGBT+ History Month	Time to Talk Day	Children's Mental Health Week	
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Spring 2 Term (24th February – 4th April)

Inclusion	International Day of Happiness	Down's Syndrome Awareness Week UK	Autism Acceptance Week UK	
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Summer 1 Term (22nd April – 23rd May)

Earth Day	Deaf Awareness Week	VE Day	International Day of Families	Stereotypes	
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Summer 2 Term (2nd June – 18th July)

World Oceans Day	LGBT Pride Month	International Yoga Day	Armed Forces Day	Responsibilities	Transition
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SMSC/British Values/Gates Golden Goal

- The Gates Golden Goals **(Autumn 1, Week 1)**
- British Values **(Autumn 1, Week 2)**
- UK Parliament Week – 18th November – 24th November - **(Autumn 2, Week 3/4)**

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- ADHD Awareness Month – 1st October to the 31st October - **(Autumn 1, Week 3/4)**
- Disability History Month – 16th November to the 16th December - **(Autumn 2, Week 5)**
- Down's Syndrome Awareness Week UK – 20th March – 26th March - **(Spring 2, Week 4/5)**
- Autism Acceptance Week – 2nd April – 8th April - **(Spring 2, Week 6)**
- Deaf Awareness Week – 6th May – 12th May – **(Summer 1, Week 2)**

Inclusion:

- Black History Month – 1st October to the 31st October - **(Autumn 1, Week 5/6)**
- Equality & Diversity - **(Autumn 2, Week 6/7)**
- World Religion Day – 19th January – **(Spring 1, Week 1)**
- Time to Talk Day – 1st February – **(Spring 1, Week 3)**
- LGBT+ History Month – February - – **(Spring 1, Week 4)**
- Children's Mental Health Week – 5th to the 11th November - – **(Spring 1, Week 5/6)**
- Inclusion – **(Summer 1, Week 1)**
- International Day of Families – 15th May - **(Summer 1, Week 4)**
- Stereotypes – **(Summer 1, Week 5/6)**
- LGBT Pride Month – 1st June to the 30th June – **(Summer 2, Week 2/3)**

Environment:

- Recycle Week – 14th October – 20th October – **(Autumn 1, Week 7)**
- Switch Off Fortnight – 11th November – 24th November - **(Autumn 2, Week 2)**
- Earth Day – 22nd April – **(Summer 1, Week 1)**
- World Oceans Day – 8th June – **(Summer 2, Week 1)**

Other themes:

- Remembrance Day – 11th November - **(Autumn 2, Week 1)**
- New Year's Resolutions – **(Spring 1, Week 1)**
- International Day of Happiness – 20th March – **(Spring 2, Week 2/3)**
- VE Day – 8th May - **(Summer 1, Week 3)**
- International Yoga Day – 21st June - **(Summer 2, Week 4)**
- Armed Forces Day – 29th June - **(Summer 2, Week 5)**
- Responsibilities - **(Summer 2, Week 6)**
- Transition - **(Summer 2, Week 7)**