



SMSC Subject Statements

Subject: English

Spiritual

- English supports spiritual development by engaging children with poetry, fiction and drama. Through English children can explore and engage with the feelings and values found in a wide range of genre.

Moral

- English supports moral development by enabling children to look, discuss and evaluate a range of social and moral issues found in a wide range of genre including newspapers, fiction, television and other media. Children take part in debates, conscience alley, freeze frame activities as well as writing persuasive texts and arguments based on problems relevant to primary school pupils.

Social

- English units support social development by helping children to understand how written and spoken language has changed over time (classical poetry/myths and legends/fiction from our literary heritage). It also covers social attitudes to the use of language and debate over issues such as school uniform and the use of mobile phones.

Cultural

- English supports cultural development by exposing children to a wide range of written and spoken language from a range of cultures (Syrian War poetry, Tupilak (from Alaska), Ancient Egypt, Ancient Greece). In addition, it supports children to become confident and competent in their own language which is vital to their individual identity.