

# Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Development in our school...

At Parkgate Primary School we work hard to ensure we are addressing our pupils' Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural (SMSC) Education in everything that we do. We have core values which are intrinsic to our school life, we complete projects on a termly basis which link SMSC fluidly throughout the school. Our displays and pupils work show the depth of SMSC understanding that is accrued during these projects and the impact it has on our pupil's education. We have inspirational quotes displayed around the school and in every lesson we plan, we think about SMSC elements that need teaching.

In addition to our day to day experience we offer a wide range of enrichment opportunities to really ensure our pupils have a great SMSC provision.

Some of these opportunities we have provided recently include....

Whole school exhibitions for Palm oil and Adrift with parents involved.

The Diversity Angel with St Mary's and St Helen's Church.



- Workshop days in KS1
- Active Hands in KS2

- whole school forensic science days

Whole school 'Festivals' and celebrations such as world book day, Down syndrome day, Yellow day- in aid of children's liver disease, Eid day, Chinese new year and more.

- A whole school yearly trip to the Floral Pavillion to watch their Christmas Pantomime
- An extensive range of after school clubs to choose from including sports, arts and gardening activities.
- An active, recent and relevant learning scheme each term to focus on recent information and to engage the children towards making a difference. Adrift – whole school. The Zoo project – whole school. Plastics – Year 3.



- Trips to the Museums of Liverpool, The Roman Experience, Chester Zoo, Churches in our local area, Exploring Parkgate Front, Ruthin Jail and more



- Assemblies with on-going themes such as Aspiration, Achievement, Anti-Bullying (inc. cyber bullying), E-Safety, Resilience and more.

- Sunflower competitions
- The children run their own school fair stalls, in particular Year 6 who run their own room to make money for their leavers celebrations
- Year 6 Disco, Halloween discos, Chocolate Bingo
- Pillow parties after school, Whole school quiz night, summer fair, Christmas fair
- Gardening and Allotment projects
- Active Maths
- Year 6 music project with the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic
- Cross country club
- Cricketing and other sporting competitions for Cheshire



- Ukulele, Violin, Piano, Tuba lesson and more
- KS2 Orchestra
- Learning to play an instrument in every year group- Reception boom wackers, Year 1 Year 2 recorders Year 3 Ukulele, Year 4 Ukulele, Year 5 Guitar, Year 6 Samba
- Mad Science Club
- Strong links with our local secondary schools for Maths Booster lessons / Science workshops, Greater Depth days.
- Fundraising days - Children in Need, Yellow Day, Down Syndrome and more



- Whole school presentations -e.g films / raps / poems during each project – parents are invited to join in or to see there.

Visits from dangerous litter companies, our local police officer, our church leaders and more



- Year 4 wrote their own newspaper which was taken to and read by the Prime Minister

-Diversity angel collaboration for the church – whole school project.

- Collaboration with Cheshire West Council and Parkgate Society to make Parkgate a cleaner, safer place.

- A visit from a Poet to make poems for Adrift Project – this was daily for a week, running through the whole school.

- Breakfast Club and afterschool club

### **SMSC Assemblies**

On a weekly basis, pupils take part in a religious assembly with the local church and Dr Storer. Here, they have the opportunity to contribute and reflect on the play they have just watched or taken part in. We also provide a weekly SMSC assembly which notices the principles of spiritual, moral, social or cultural topics – these are taken from a plan of diverse topics or from recent and relevant information in the news that the children would benefit learning about.

The integrity and spirituality of faith backgrounds are respected and explored through assemblies, through lessons and through religious days in school such as Chinese New Year with Mrs Foster and Eid with Mrs Rashid.



If you would like further information please speak to your child's Class teacher