



### What is SMSC?

Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural (SMSC) development is the over-arching umbrella that encompasses personal development across the whole curriculum. Links to SMSC are made across the geography curriculum and lessons to create a child centred approach to learning geography knowledge and skills.

#### **Spiritual**

- Students are taught to accept and embrace other counties and cultures.
- Students are educated on the religious beliefs of the people in countries of the language they are learning.
- Students are encouraged to be empathetic to the cultures, beliefs and traditions of others and stereotypes are challenged where necessary.

#### **Moral**

- Students are encouraged to show empathy and understanding to others.
- Stereotypes and intolerance are challenged through understanding about places and countries around the world.

#### **Social**

- Social education in History encourages pupils to think about what past societies have contributed to our culture today.
- Creating a sense of community in lessons
- Interact with the school community.
- Encourage pupils to recognise and respect social differences and similarities
- Celebrate success both in and out of school
- Promoting teamwork throughout lessons
- Providing peer mentoring opportunities in lessons

#### **Culture**

- Students are encouraged to embrace 'difference' at all stages of their geographical development and accept ideas which may be 'alien' to them, as culturally significant.
- Students are encouraged to discuss and challenge stereotypes within a national and international context.
- Media and new technology are encouraged to explore students' interest in language and culture in all aspects of their learning.

