

## SMSC at Nether Stowe School

### Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Development

At Nether Stowe School, we are committed to supporting and enriching every student's Spiritual, Moral, Social, and Cultural (SMSC) development. Through a broad and balanced curriculum, a range of enrichment opportunities, and a nurturing school environment, we aim to help students grow into thoughtful, responsible, and well-rounded individuals.

#### Spiritual Development

We encourage students to explore their own beliefs and values, as well as those of others. Spiritual growth at Nether Stowe involves developing a sense of self, empathy, imagination, and wonder about the world. Pupils are given opportunities to reflect on life's deeper questions, express their creativity, and develop insight through subjects such as religious education, literature, art, and music. Assemblies, discussions, and enrichment experiences all contribute to this reflective and thoughtful aspect of personal growth.

#### Moral Development

Students are guided to develop a strong understanding of right and wrong, learn to respect the law, and appreciate the consequences of their actions. They engage in exploring complex moral and ethical issues, forming and articulating their own reasoned views while listening to the perspectives of others. This underpins our ethos of integrity and respect.

#### Social Development

We promote positive relationships, cooperation, and active participation in both school and wider community life. Pupils are encouraged to develop social skills, work collaboratively, and appreciate a diversity of opinions. We support students in taking part in local and national initiatives, volunteering, and understanding British Values, including democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, and mutual respect and tolerance.

#### Cultural Development

Students at Nether Stowe gain a deep appreciation of cultural diversity and heritage, including an understanding of the values and traditions that shape modern Britain. We celebrate a wide range of cultural experiences through curriculum content, assemblies, events, and trips. Our aim is to help students become respectful and informed citizens who value and celebrate the diverse world they are part of.

