

SMSC Week One: What's it all about?



Spiritual: What our beliefs are and what drives us to succeed. What things drive you to do well in the academy?



Moral: What we believe to be the right or wrong thing to do in a situation. It is developed by our own experiences and beliefs. What morals do you hold close at heart?

Social: What we do when we interact with others in our year group, academy community and local area. What activities do you define as being 'sociable'?

Cultural: Our identity that we use to celebrate key beliefs or other aspects of our personal life. Things we do to relax. What extracurricular opportunities will you be a part of?

SMSC is probably a term that you may have seen in and around the academy or perhaps even your lessons before.

It's a very important set of skills and qualities that you need to possess in order to be successful throughout your time here at Nunthorpe, as well as in the wider world when you come to leave us in either year eleven or thirteen.

You should be able to see the following images on a page within your student planner. For this weeks' Nunthorpe News, have a chat about what you understand about each of the letters within the acronym of SMSC.

Each week, you'll be told/shown a key calendared event, piece of work or national celebration which falls under the umbrella of SMSC.





November the 5th marks the day that Guy Fawkes failed to blow up the houses of parliament.

In a plot which initially started due to a clashing of beliefs, the heavily catholic Fawkes was part of a group who despised the Protestant King James and so planned to blow up the historic building on the day we know and celebrate each year.

Remember; whatever it is that you do in order to celebrate the evening, arranged displays are always the best. Stay safe, wrap up warm and maintain social distance if at organised displays!

Have a look at the following facts; are they true or false?

- 1. Three sparklers held together have the same heat as a blow torch?
 - 2. Throwing a firework causes a £500 pounds fine?
- 3. The word for firework in Japanese is 'Hanabi' meaning 'Sky Flower'?
- 4. The first recorded firework display was at Henry VII's wedding? In 1486?
 - 5. The largest rocket ever made for bonfire night was 45KG?

ANSWERS:

1. TRUE - 2. FALSE (£5,000) - 3. TRUE - 4. TRUE - 5 FALSE (13KG)



SMSC Week Ten: *Remembrance Sunday*

November 8th is Remembrance Sunday.

It is celebrated within the UK in order to commemorate the sacrifice of British personnel during the two world wars and subsequent battles/conflicts which have happened since. When looking and remembering the loss of life of those who have gone before us, think about the following images.







SMSC Week Eleven: *Enterprise Week*



This week is nationally celebrated as Enterprise Week across the whole of the UK. It aims to celebrate the innovative ideas which are credited to British inventors and other business people.

As a group, have a look at the below statements regarding enterprising ideas/inventions. Discuss whether or not you would feel comfortable with your idea being used in such a way.

-You come up with an invention which is designed to help people, however in reality; it does more harm than good.

Would you still pursue the idea even though a lot of people may get injured or possibly die, or would you decide to make money off of it instead?

-You design a product that you think is original, but you know that you've copied certain aspects of another product in order to create your own.

Would you ever confess that your product was based off the idea of someone else's, or lie and take no responsibility for it; suggesting that you created everything yourself?



SMSC Week Twelve: World Television Day



The 21st November marks 'World Television Day'.

In times of lockdown and COVID, such an invention has been revolutionary in ensuring that we have some form of entertainment at home.

As a group, discuss the following...

WHAT do you think the best television programme of all time is?

HOW many televisions and other pieces of technology capable of playing television programmes are in your home?

HOW have your viewing habits changed over time? Do you watch a certain amount of television when at home?





SMSC Week Thirteen: *St Andrews Day*

St Andrews Day is celebrated on Monday 30th November.

St. Andrew was one of Christ's twelve apostles. Some of his bones are said to have been brought to what is now St. Andrews in Fife during the 4th century. Since medieval times, the X-shaped saltire cross upon which St. Andrew was supposedly crucified has been the Scottish national symbol.

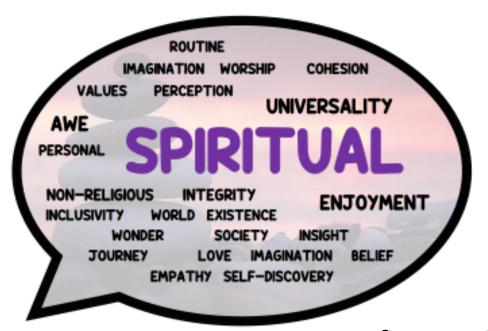
> Looking at the images and symbols associated with Scotland below, how many do you recognise?







SMSC Week Fourteen: Countdown to Christmas



It's not too long to go until we break up and celebrate **Christmas!**

However we all have our own beliefs on what makes the most 'perfect' Christmas. Looking at the words on the list below, imagine you could only select THREE. Which three would you select and WHY would you choose these? You should be prepared to discuss these as a group with the rest of your form.

Presents

Dark Nights

Family Time

Staying Home

Sweets & Chocolate Over Eating

Christmas TV

Time Off Songs Putting up the Tree



SMSC Week Fifteen: *Christmas Morals*



Take a look at the morals associated with Christmas below.

Have a discussion in your form as to where they are celebrated within the different aspects of Christmas as a public holiday.

Christmas teaches us to *value family*.

Christmas teaches us to *value simplicity*.

Christmas teaches us to bond with others.

Christmas teaches us to be grateful.

Christmas teaches us to *celebrate joy through sharing*.