Shevington Vale Primary School Spiritual Moral Social and Cultural Calendar 2015-16

These are just some of the events planned over this academic year.

This will be updated as events arise.

Date	Event	Aims
15 th September	Queen Elizabeth 11 today becomes the longest serving monarch in history taking over from Queen Victoria. Children will watch news footage and discuss the implications of the day's events. An assembly will used as focus point with pictures and music playing in the hall all day.	 To experience a moment of history in the making. To experience history changing. To learn more about the monarch and her place in English culture.

25th Sept 2nd Oct

Macmillan Coffee morning:

Our school will hold a coffee morning led by Y6 in the morning and then Mrs Jost's memorial day will take place with the opening of the Sunflower Room and a balloon release to raise funds for the Macmillan Nurses. Mrs Jost's family will be here.



Moral and Social

- To learn to work for the benefit of other people.
- To learn about the important work of charities.
- To take on responsibility as part of a team.

Harvest festival

Our whole school will collect food for the Wigan Food Bank 'The Brick' and local home for the and celebrate Harvest with parents in a shared act of collective worship.



Spiritual, Moral

- To understand the importance of harvest.
- To understand how we can support those who are in need.
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Democracy Day 16th Oct

A group of children will represent Shevington Vale as the Mayor will be visiting Shevington Community School- our representative group will take part in a debate on a local issue and then use their voting rights. They will use voting papers and booths just as adults would-these children will then relay their experiences during our Circle assembly.

The remainder of the school will discuss issues back at our own school.



Social, moral, cultural

- For children to understand democratic processes
- For children to understand that we live in a democracy.
- For children to understand that not all global citizens have the same rights.



11th November

Armistice Day

The whole school will join in a collective act of worship commemorating those who lost their lives in the service of their country



Spiritual Moral Social and Cultural

- To help children understand the importance of commemoration.
- To reflect on how we can learn from the past.

Divali October 30th

Diwali falls in either October or November each year, depending on the cycle of the moon. It's observed on the 15th day of Kartik, the holiest month in the Hindu lunar calendar.

Diwali is the five-day festival of lights, celebrated by millions of Hindus, Sikhs and Jains across the world. The festival, which coincides with the Hindu New Year, celebrates new beginnings and the triumph of good over evil and light over darkness.

Social and Cultural

- To celebrate differences.
- To encourage tolerance.



November	Anti-bullying Week	Social and moral
	This year it is all about empowerment to be able to speak out.	 To reinforce our school anti- bullying ethos. To encourage schools to become talking schools. To create safe places for children to discuss bullying issues.
December	Advent/Christmas	Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural
Christmas	The whole school will take part in a range of activities and acts of collective worship. Both in school and in the community church also in a range of groupings with our Federation schools.	 To reflect upon and understand the true meaning of Christmas within the Christian faith. To explore traditions across a range of social families.

Holocaust Memorial Day

Y5 children across our Federation work for 3 days together to create a reflective act of worship which is a community event and held at St Anne's Church in Shevington on 27th January each year. —please come along. It proves to be a very spiritual event. This year's theme is conveyed in its key line on the logo for 2016.

Spiritual Social and Moral:

- To reflect on the past and how we can learn lessons from what has gone before.
- To commemorate those people who have suffered extreme racism.



February

Safer Internet Day

All children spend time today considering how to keep themselves safe on the Internetchildren revisit our policies in school



Social and Moral

• To reinforce our-safety message so that children are empowered to make safe moral choices in their internet use.

February	Chinese New Year	Cultural
	The Year of the Monkey: Chinese New Year 2016 will be the year of the Monkey. For people born in the year of the monkey (1920, 1932, 1944, 1956, 1968, 1980, 1992, 2004), 2016 is considered an auspicious year.	Children will celebrate this event with a celebration lunch and assembly and explore how this festival is celebrated by in China and at home in England.
	"Monkeys" are witty, intelligent and have a magnetic personality	Chinese New Years The Year of Monkey B
Easter	St Anne's Church Project	Spiritual Social and Cultural.
	TBC	 To raise the awareness of the important of Easter within the Christian calendar. To develop knowledge of the chronology of the key events.

	Social and Cultural
The children will reflect and think about Englishness today with a celebration lunch to which parents will be invited to attend.	 To learn about the story of George and the Dragon. To develop knowledge about the Patron Saint of England – what it is and why we have it.
	St George's Day 23rd April
Bastille Day As part of our twinning curriculum, children learn about aspects of France and share them with other classes. Activities to be confirmed.	 Social and Cultural To celebrate a year's learning and apply the French that has been taught. To enrich understanding of a different culture.
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