The Academy at Shotton Hall

SMSC
What are we doing?

Mutual respect all around

School award for 'Rights Respecting'

Community
Inviting old people into the school for Christmas lunch

Giving homeless people a Christmas pressie :)

Our ethos
"Every child matters' - it drives the whole school!

Themed Days
To learn about other cultures, festivals and events

Working with the Smiley Project charity in Newcastle upon Tyne

SMSC topics regularly featured in assemblies

Charity days
Children in Need and Comic Relief with year-on-year proceeds of well over £2000!

Homophobia
Partnership with Newcastle University to run workshops to tackle homophobia

Learning about human history
Including the holocaust, human rights and slavery

Comenius

Group work and team players around every corner

International

British Council International School Award

Lions of Zululand

Global arts project

Annual Healthy Living Week

Personal, Health and Social Education curriculum

High 5s
Time in Sept to develop SEAL and numeracy and literacy skills

SEAL
SEAL (social, emotional aspects of learning) runs throughout the curriculum including working in groups, learning to respect others and empathy skills

British values
Understanding and exploring the common values we should all share as citizens of the UK.

Science
Exploring moral issues in lessons including the use of stem cells, abortion and gene therapy

After school clubs and societies
From chess to cross country we've got it all!

'Team potential'
Involved in the appointment of new staff by taking part in interview panels

Debating Club
Invited to House of Commons and House of Lords!

Young leaders / peer buddies/ peer counsellors/ prefects

Primary transition work with feeder schools

Cultural & Multicultural
'Everybody Writes Day'
'Olympics Day'
'World Cup Day'
'Cultural Heritage Week'

Business ambassadors
Give talks in school and sponsor school awards and trophies

Society
Links and workshops with Beamish Museum to investigate common problems in society

Career days
Key Stage 4 opportunities and visits to meet and discuss post-16 careers

Staircase artwork - keeping SMSC in everyone's minds!

Sports events and teams
Representing the school regionally and nationally...and winning!

Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural (SMSC) learning cuts across the whole school through every lesson.

It helps us to develop a deeper knowledge and understanding of the wider world by learning about the beliefs, cultures, difficulties and needs of other people. This in turn helps everyone to develop greater consideration, care and empathy for the world around them.