

Cultural Development

Students' cultural development is shown by their:

- understanding and appreciation of the wide range of cultural influences which have shaped their own heritage and that of others
- understanding and appreciation of the range of different cultures within The Pingle Academy and further afield, as an essential element of their preparation for life in modern Britain
- knowledge of Britain's democratic parliamentary system and its central role in shaping our history and values, and in continuing to develop Britain
- willingness to participate in and respond positively to artistic, sporting and cultural opportunities
- interest in exploring, improving understanding of and showing respect for different faiths and cultural diversity, and the extent to which they understand, accept, respect and celebrate diversity, as shown by their tolerance and attitudes towards different religious, ethnic and socio-economic groups in the local, national and global communities. (Ofsted July 2014)

We therefore aim to promote cultural development through:

- an explanation of the influences which have shaped our culture
- the extension of our cultural horizons, through the influences of other cultures
- extending cultural horizons beyond the immediate and the local
- past cultural features which influence and shape the present
- a study of the present values and customs of our nation and of other nations' cultures and societies
- developing in our students, respect for the values, customs and cultural heritage of those who belong to other faiths or ethnic groups.