Spirituality in French

How are we promoting Spirituality in French	
Connection **Understanding** **Harmony** **Dialogue** **Cultural appreciation** **Empathy** **Wonder** **Awe**	Spirituality features in the study of French by offering pupils a window into the cultural, linguistic, and emotional dimensions of the French-speaking world. Through learning the language, children encounter spiritual concepts, beliefs, and values embedded in French culture, such as the sacredness of Catholicism, the presence of God and the divine in cultural identity, and the importance of faith, worship, and prayer in both historical and contemporary contexts. Language learning provides a unique opportunity for pupils to engage with spiritual themes such as belief, morality, identity, love, loss, and self-expression. Through studying French etymology, literature, poetry, and philosophical texts, children are invited to reflect on profound life questions and explore how different cultures articulate their relationship with the sacred and the spiritual. Pupils are encouraged to consider Big Questions such as: • Who or what is God? • What does it mean to live a moral life? • How do people in French-speaking countries express their faith or connect with the divine? • What is sacred to me? • How does language carry spiritual meaning? The exploration of French food, music, art, religious festivals, and sacred architecture also fosters a sense of connection with others and an appreciation of diverse expressions of spirituality. These experiences support the development of empathy and intercultural understanding. At STW, the teaching of French contributes to pupils' spiritual development by helping them connect with themselves, others, and the wider world in meaningful and reflective ways. It nurtures personal growth, respect for religion and belief, and a deeper awareness of cultural and spiritual diversity.