

Spiritual

Reading supports spiritual development by encouraging children to reflect on the many stories and poems they experience, and the themes within them. Reading has been described as 'a gateway into another world', allowing children to question, think creatively and make links between literature and the real world around us

Moral

Reading supports moral development by encouraging children to consider issues beyond their everyday lives and experiences. This helps them to develop a sense of right, and develop an informed opinion about actions past and present. Children enter a world where characters experience a vast array of moral choices and they see their own lives reflected in the choices these characters make.

Reading

Social

Reading books improves concentration and patience and develops social skills that are vital to a child's development. Children can experience a range of moods and emotions in a safe environment, preparing them for future interactions.

Cultural

Through books, children learn about different people, places and events. This deepens their understanding of the world around them, and broadens their knowledge of cultures which are different to their own.