

# PHSE Policy

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## Rationale

PSHE helps to give pupils the knowledge, skills and understanding they need to lead confident, healthy, independent lives and to become informed, active, responsible citizens.

The study of PSHE should enable pupils:

- To recognise their own worth, work well with others and become increasingly responsible for their own learning.
- To reflect on their experiences and understand how they are developing personally and socially, tackling many of the spiritual, moral, social and cultural issues that are part of growing up.
- To find out about their responsibilities, rights and duties as individuals and members of communities.
- To understand and respect our common humanity, diversity and differences so that they can go on to form the effective, fulfilling relationships that are an essential part of life and learning.
- To develop pupils' well-being and self-esteem, encouraging belief in their ability to succeed and enabling them to take responsibility for their learning and future choices
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## Framework

The knowledge, skills and understanding are taught in the following main areas:

- British Values
- Health and Emotional Wellbeing
- Relationships and sexual education
- Living in the wider world
- Online safety

The PSHE programme is delivered within a whole school approach which includes:

Time dedicated from form tutors each week as well as other staff including specialist professionals i.e. school nurse, police, etc teaching through and in other subject areas, many of our other subjects contribute to PSHE which helps reinforce certain aspects of the curriculum.

PSHE activities and experiences which provides the students with a number of opportunities to work together and be able to develop and maintain relationships under circumstances that are different – this allows them to discover new skills and qualities about themselves.

## **Guidelines**

Teaching of PSHE should ensure that pupils are taught about themselves as growing and changing individuals with their own experiences and ideas, and as members of their communities.

They learn about the wider world and the interdependence of communities within it.

Pupils should develop a sense of social justice and moral responsibility and begin to understand that their own choices and behaviour can affect local, national or global issues and political and social institutions.

They should learn to take part more fully in school and community activities.

They should learn how to make more confident and informed choices about their health and environment.

Pupils should with time be able to take more responsibility, individually and as a group, for their own learning.

## **Assessment**

Takes place at the end of each topic in line with the assessment policy.

Students work is collated throughout the year, gathered and evaluated in their individual folders, a high proportion of the work is discussion based where the work is recorded by their form tutor.

## **Monitoring and Evaluation of Standards**

This is carried out in accordance with the school's policy for monitoring and evaluating standards. See subject coordinator's file. It will also be in line with the Governors' programme of visits to monitor standards.

## **Special Educational Needs**

It is of great importance to ensure equal access to the PSHE Curriculum and equal status for all learners.

Differentiation is the process of planning and teaching in ways which give all children opportunities to show what they know, understand and can do.

Differentiation can be achieved through resources and materials, the use of open-ended questions and research.

### **More Able Pupils**

More able pupils will be encouraged to further their skills by taking part in more challenging extension activities linked to the topic and displayed in the classroom.

### **English as an Additional Language**

Studio West are aware of the needs of EAL pupils who are assessed by the EAL teacher. We provide support for the learning of these pupils as appropriate to their level of fluency in English. We are conscious of providing reading material and scientific study materials that promotes positive images of all racial groups.

### **ICT**

ICT and other technologies are used to enhance the PSHE curriculum as appropriate.

### **Equalities Policy**

Studio West's race and equality policies are followed. We aim to avoid using materials which have gender or racial stereotyping.