

PERSONAL, SOCIAL, HEALTH, ECONOMIC (PHSE) AND CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION POLICY

PSHE Education enables children to become healthy, independent and responsible members of society. We encourage our pupils to play a positive role in contributing to the life of the school and the wider community. In so doing we help to develop their sense of self worth.

The aims are to enable children to:

- know and understand what constitutes a healthy lifestyle;
- be aware of safety issues;
- understand what makes good relationships with others;
- have respect for others;
- be independent and responsible members of the school community;
- be positive and active members of a democratic society;
- develop financial competency;
- develop self-confidence and self-esteem, and make informal choices regarding personal and social issues;
- develop good relationships with other members of the school and the wider community;
- care for self, others and the environment locally and globally.

The teaching and learning includes the following lessons:

- Ø Social and Emotional Aspects of Learning – SEAL.
- Ø Sex and Relationships (SRE) using the Living and Growing DVD and resources;
- Ø Drugs, alcohol and tobacco education using DPEAP resources;
- Ø Financial capability using My Money Primary Toolkit from pfeg;

The teaching and learning may include:

- Ø Individual or group reflection, discussion and debate;
- Ø Video;
- Ø Use of ICT;
- Ø The opportunity to hear visiting speakers such as health workers, police and representatives of faith communities;
- Ø The planning of special events in school and charity fundraising;
- Ø Special Curriculum Enrichment Weeks such as those on Energy, Waste/Recycling, Health/Wellbeing and Food/Healthy Eating.

Within our integrated curriculum, PHSE is also taught through other subjects eg Geography, Science, RE and Mathematics. We offer two residential visits where there are major opportunities to develop social and co-operative skills and self-esteem.

Assessment in PSHE is on-going and is recorded on the skill matrix as the children achieve a particular competence.

We have an active school council and our Eco Team organizes and promotes a variety of environmental activities connected to our Green Flag status with Eco Schools.