Personal Development Policy

Inspire - Impact - Independence

OAKWOOD ACADEMY MISSION STATEMENT

"Promoting learning excellence - Inclusion beyond the barriers".

Moral Purpose

"We are united in the belief that together we can inspire all learners to dream, persevere and achieve so that we can change lives for the better, now and for future generations to come"

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Summary of changes 2022	Developed new curriculum concepts
	Changes to the curriculum content
Summary of changes 2023	Additional content introduced to the curriculum.
	More prescribed and detailed SOW/lessons/delivery of topic
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Policy Development (How)

This policy has been developed through:

- Advise from specific subject associations (The PHSE Association) PSHE education planning framework for pupils with send key stages 1-4
- Review of Personal Development policy and subject action plan
- Curriculum Review summer term 2022 with senior leaders/updated July 2023 by J Hamer (HOD) and support from D Jones (SLT).
- Guidance on compulsory Sex and Relationships Education (DfE) from September 2020 onwards
- The policy has been developed by a specialist steering group of colleagues across Oakwood.

Teaching Personal Development

- The curriculum is taught within nine stands over the academic year (all topics are taught for 4 weeks/8 lessons) this is to provide consistency to all students.
- All year groups will cover RSE/British Values/Living in the Wider World etc. at the same time following the
 whole school curriculum map. The topics and sequence will build on prior knowledge and provide progression
 to enhance learning.
- It is taught by a team of 6 Members of staff (LC years 11/10/7, JH years 11/10/7, JB years 8/9, AH, SK, year 7, KT and JL years 5/6), this ensures consistency in delivering the variety of topics to different age groups as well as having the experience within that area.

Evidencing student work

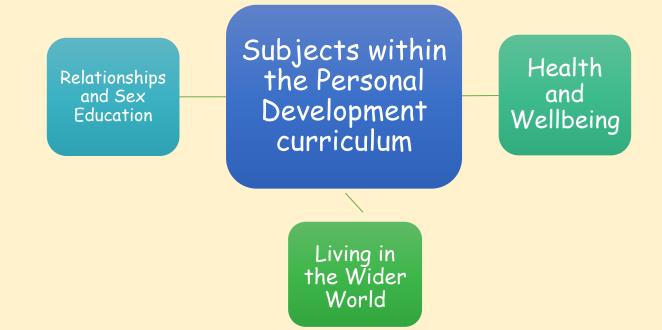
- Students have a book to organise their work in, with self assessments found at the back for every topic.
- Photographs and witness statements are used to support/evidence participation.
- We also use EFL to capture students work and participation in activities (especially more practical activities).3

Subject information

Personal Development

Aims of this policy

- · To introduce the vision of Personal Development Curriculum.
- To provide a rationale for the curriculum intent, design and coverage.
- To explain the effective Teaching and Learning strategies involved in supporting pupils progress throughout the Personal Development Curriculum



Our Vision for Personal Development

The purpose of Personal Development is to:

- To foster independence and life skills for the future
- To provide further opportunities for young people which contribute towards developing well rounded, responsible young citizens
- To develop understanding of one's own unique development (both strengths and areas for improvement)
- Making sure that our young people are informed about what is happening in the world -helping them to deal with critical issues they face every day such as friendships, emotional wellbeing and change.
- Making informed decisions and preparing them for all the opportunities, challenges, life decisions and responsibilities they may face.

Personal Development at Oakwood

Introduction and aims

Introduction:

Personal Development curriculum is the school curriculum subject that supports pupils to be healthy, safe and prepared for modern life. This incorporates health education, relationships education/RSE and economic wellbeing and careers.

These subjects are designed to equip pupils with knowledge to make informed decisions about their wellbeing, health and relationships as well as preparing them for a successful adult life.

This latest revision to the curriculum accompanies the 2020 edition of the PSHE Association

Programme of Study for PSHE education and is fully aligned with the Statutory Guidance for Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) and Health Education from the Department

for Education (DfE)

Professional links:

The PD department has professional links that support curriculum delivery with: The PD Association (Subject Association), Place 2 Be and VotesforSchools.

The guiding principles of our curriculum through the Personal Development Curriculum

Inclusion focus

- · We want personal development lessons to support all children. Our lessons are pitched so that all pupils can get an early sense of success.
- · We have built into the curriculum schemes of work that challenge stereotypes and respecting views, respective difference, belonging to a community and diversity
- In all of our strands, we provide activities that support inclusion and disability
- · Our tasks are all short and varied and where possible activities are modelled or sample answers will be shared to support learning and understanding

Appropriate content

- · Content is a challenge for teachers as pupils development will not necessarily correspond to their chronological age or their key stage in many aspects of their learning in education
- Decisions about what to include in the personal development curriculum are always difficult and must take into account a number of different curricular aims alongside the cognition and learning barriers our pupils present with.
- The curriculum content has been chosen specifically for it's appropriateness for our students, this is driven by rigorous assessments of student starting points by using the PHSE Association website that have provided exemplar curriculums for young people with SEND
- · We also regularly consult with parents and carers on the curriculum changes to the personal development curriculum

Locality

• Where we can, we will identify stories and meaningful examples that are linked to our locality, for example schemes of work in Living in the Wider World on 'my local community' and 'taking care of the environment', for example Salford Quays/ The Three Sisters other local community places

Evidence informed curriculum design

• Our curriculum is evidence informed through rigorous application of the best practice and the science of learning. The pedagogical principles applied are grounded in research. We have developed our Personal Development curriculum through utilizing support from the PHSE association (SEND curriculum quide)

Making connections across subjects

- · Schema theory is supported by making explicit links between subject areas. This supports opportunities for pupils to embed key vocabulary and learning.
- Our whole school curriculum has been designed with collaboration between all subject leads at is core. We want students learning to be joined up and connected where strong links are possible. For us, this will allow our students, many of who have difficulties with cognition and learning, the best opportunity to experience content across different specialisms. This repetition and opportunities for retrieval practice will allow for deeper learning.
- · We have been provided with the opportunity to familiarize our self with the content from different subjects and the plan and build upon any links established.

Knowledge (Components and Concepts)

• Prototype theory is utilized by identifying key concepts across the Personal Development curriculum . These key concepts are then replicated across a range of contexts to embed key learning.

Curriculum Design

 We aspire to provide a rich, inclusive and diverse curriculum that provides and prepares our young students for life now and in the future

· Organization

- There is a curriculum map across the whole of KS2, 3 and 4. Each week students have two periods of personal development per week.
- At the end of each sequence of learning there are opportunities to review and reinforce the skills and learning gained over the duration of it.

· Coherence

We recognise that knowledge of concepts must be developed through repeated encounters with meaningful
examples in familiar contexts. The curriculum is designed to develop the depth and complexity of pupils'
understanding over time to keep them safe and prepare them for a world that is ever changing including what is
right/wrong, where to seek help and support, knowing the laws of this country relating to subject content.

· Planning

- The curriculum strands develop years after year, adding to previous knowledge and enhancing opportunities for new learning
- In Willows the curriculum has been based off the PHSE Association SEND curriculum KS1,2
- The Key Stage 3 curriculum is based on the PHSE Association SEND curriculum KS3,4
- The Key Stage 4 curriculum is based on the PHSE Association SEND curriculum KS3,4 and appropriate content from the mainstream PHSE curriculum (PHSE Association)
- · We have identified the curriculum content taken from the PHSE Association mainstream curriculum.

The Personal Development Curriculum

Vision

- The vision of Personal Development is to:
 To foster independence and life skills for the future
 To provide further opportunities for young people which contribute towards developing well rounded, responsible young citizens
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Concepts												
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Our approach to teaching Personal Development Our Oakwood pedagogical approach

We have developed a pedagogical approach based on a contextual analysis of our students and their needs.

We have used a large research base to inform our selection of approaches to teaching and learning, that we best feel will make the content accessible for our students.

We have divided these strategies into main sub categories:

Foundations



Lesson structure



Foundations

Classroom environment



Setting up a classroom that is welcoming, safe and nurturing. Welcoming students and allowing them entry in a calm and orderly fashion. Having a tidy, well organised space free of unnecessary distractions. Consistent routines that establish an effective classroom environment

Knowing students and developing relationships



Developing relationships with students cannot be under estimated. Get to know them well, their needs, strengths and weaknesses and personal circumstances. Familiarise yourself with the EHCP of students in your class to increase pupils motivation.

High expectations



'The higher the expectations of teachers, the better students perform' – (Rosenthal & Jacobson). Know students starting points and gaps in knowledge very well. Have the belief that all students can succeed and communicate this belief to the students.

Lesson structure



Do it now



Sign posting



Clarity of aims and instructions



Chunking



Modelling



Differentiation / scaffolding leading to practice

Questioning eedback Vocabula Oracy.

Chunking

Modelling

Inclusive

Learning

Environment

How the Oakwood teaching and learning strategies are used to improve pupils learning in Personal Development. Do It Now • Memory review activities are strategically planned to recall key knowledge and address misconceptions This helps to support pupils on their knowledge and understanding. • Pupils recall recent topics to secure understanding. • Pupils also develop their knowledge and understanding of 'topic' /'keywords' and

- are encouraged to use them fluently.

 Signposting

 Signposting cues students in to what they can expect from each stage of their lesson.
 - If provides them with structure and clarity.
 - It informs/guides them of what's happening next.
 - Teachers use chunking to break down information and tasks into smaller manageable chunks or sections. This is important considering the low working memory demands of learners.
 Teachers provide examples for pupils to build up knowledge and confidence.
 - This also provides students with both a visual and verbal example of what they will be expected to do

 Pupils develop ways to better themselves as well as increasing their self-
 - Pupils develop ways to better themselves as well as increasing their seltawareness, self-esteem as well as increasing and developing their skills.
 - Looking and focusing on ways to better themselves.
- Scaffolding teachers use a range of strategies to provide temporary support for pupils and moving towards them being more independent. Some examples include, writing frames, partially completed examples and hinge questions
 Stretch and challenge teachers use the Personal Development progression framework to identify the outcomes across all schemes of work. This helps to
 - provide appropriate stretch and challenge for all learners
 - Its essential as PD teachers we know our students well including their backgrounds and family history due to the nature of the topics we are delivering it may bring back memories/experiences.

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 - To be up to date of community issues or events which again could involve our young students or their families/friends.
 - Some subjects we cover maybe very sensitive to our students so we may give
 alternative options and speak to them prior to the lesson so they can be part of
 making choices to help them.
 - We want them to engage in debates and discussions and feel they can take risks to encourage this we always will adopt a **SAFE** environment inclusive to everyone.
 - It is also important that they also show respect, listen to others and value others opinions that may be different to their own.

The concepts in the Relationships and Sex Education Curriculum

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Relationships and Sex Education (RSE)
Health and Wellbeing (HWB)
Living in the Wider World (LWW)



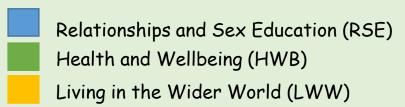






The concepts in the Health and Wellbeing Curriculum

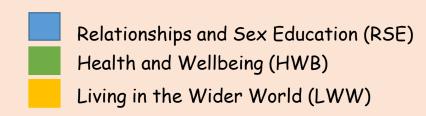
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The concepts in the Living in the Wider World Curriculum

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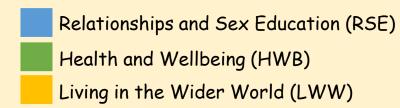






The concepts in the Key Stage 4 Personal Development Curriculum

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Self awareness

Things we are good at and personal strengths



Self care, support and safety

Looking after myself and keeping safe; aspects of Relationships and Sex Education



Managing feelings

Understanding feelings, and that how I feel and how others feel affects choices and behaviour; aspects of Relationships and Sex Education.



Changing and growing

How I and others are changing; new opportunities and responsibilities; aspects of Relationships and Sex Education



Healthy lifestyles

Being and keeping healthy, physically and mentally



The world I live in

Living confidently in the wider world

Anti bullying

Examples of some schemes of work on friendships, respecting differences between people, feeling worried/frightened.

English

Exploring subject specific vocabulary

Reading and interpreting texts around

curriculum topics

Writing to identify and describe.

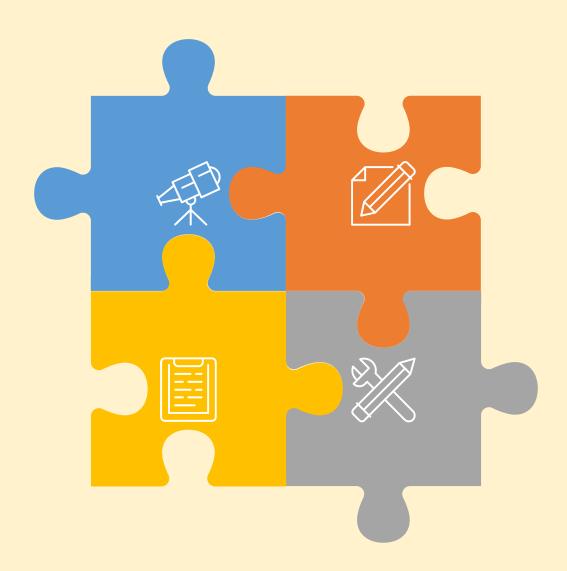
Science

Learning about the importance of physical activity to support physical and mental benefits.

The impact of drugs, alcohol on the body

Links to wider learning

Personal Development Curriculum



Citizenship

SOW to develop understanding od how the United Kingdom is Governed and its political system. The role of law and the justice system in our society. are equipped with the skills to think critically and debate political questions through Votes for Schools

Careers

Various schemes of work on:
employment rights and
responsibilities, aspirations, work
and careers to prepare pupils for
the future

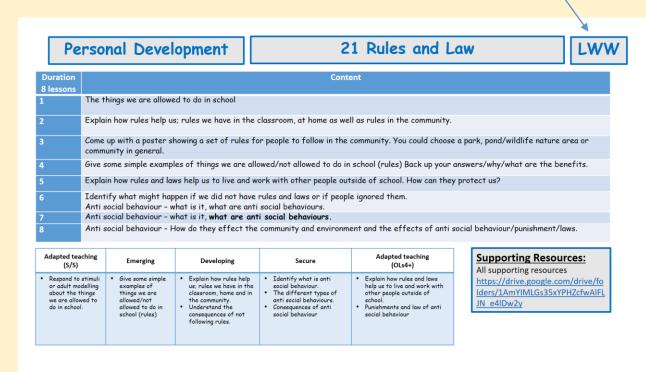
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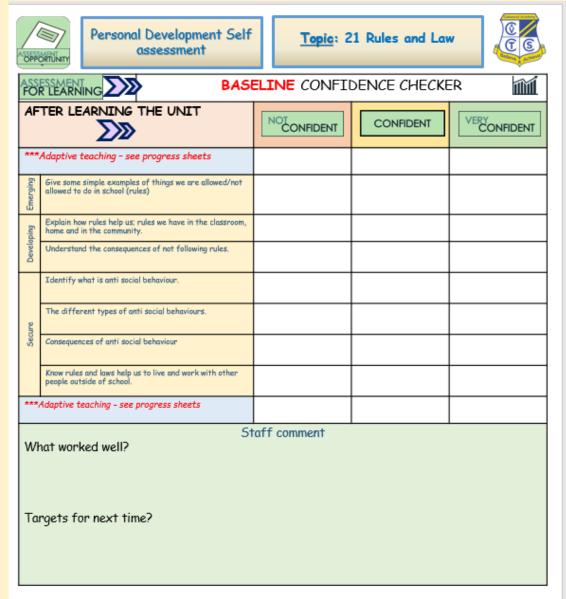
Links to other subjects areas such as
Food studies. PE and science through
explicit schemes of work on: elements
of a healthy lifestyle and health
related decisions

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Schemes of Work and Assessment (sample)

- Each topic/strand will have a scheme of work to follow.
- They all have supporting outcomes for students progress.
- They are all clearly numbered with topic headings.
- The curriculum includes the three main subjects within PD as well as Citizenship and British Values.
- All topics have assessment sheets for students to complete along with teachers on their individual learning at the end of each topic.





Subject Enhancement

At Oakwood, we believe in providing a comprehensive Personal Development education that goes beyond the classroom. We recognize the value of subject enhancements, such as trips, in-school visits, projects, theme days, and the inclusion of famous people throughout the curriculum. These enhancements aim to deepen students' understanding of real life concepts and develop crucial real-world skills. By incorporating these activities, we create a holistic learning experience and promote cultural capital among our students.

Trips: Trips offer students the opportunity to apply real-life skills within a variety of situations and develop practical skills. The following table highlights the trips organized by year group within a variety of subjects and their focus.

In-School Visits: In-school visits bring experts and external organizations to our students, providing hands-on experiences and fostering problem-solving skills.

Personal development is used everyday in everything we do - routines, socialising, making decisions, respect, building confidence and resilience.

The table on the following page showcases the trips/in-school visits and their focus (the **bold** ones are specifically linked to **Personal Development):**

Year	Trip	Focus				
Willows	Movie Night (after school) Maths (School Puzzle company) English (Live Panto) Careers week Inclusivity Maths - Money week Pride Reward Trips	Pastoral Problem solving, dealing with challenge Social skills Future aspirations Respect/diversity Responsibility/accountability/life long learning Gender Identity, acceptance and respect. Motivation, setting targets, achievement				
Year 7	English (Live Panto) Careers week Inclusivity Wythenshawe Wheelers Maths - Money week Pride Sleepover Reward Trips	Social skills Future aspirations Respect/diversity Distance and time - maths in real life Responsibility/accountability/life long learning Gender Identity, acceptance and respect. Pastoral Motivation, setting targets, achievement				
Year 8	English - Poet Visit English (Live Panto) Careers week Inclusivity Maths - Money week Pride Reward Trips	Listening and understanding. Social skills Future aspirations Respect/diversity Responsibility/accountability/life long learning Gender Identity, acceptance and respect. Motivation, setting targets, achievement				

Year	Trip	Focus				
Year 9	Reward Trips Tech & Comp & PD - Stem workshop /Legoland English (Author visit) Careers week Inclusivity Maths - Money week Maths Airport car park - Stats/ Tallying / Times and timetables Pride	Motivation, setting targets, achievement. Creativity, problem solving, working with others. Listening and understanding Future aspirations Respect/diversity Responsibility/accountability/life long learning Real life maths skills Gender Identity, acceptance and respect.				
Year 10	English (Poet Visit) Reward Trips English (Author visit) Careers week Inclusivity Maths - Money week Pride	Listening and understanding Motivation, setting targets, achievement. Listening and understanding Future aspirations Respect/diversity Responsibility/accountability/life long learning Gender Identity, acceptance and respect.				
Year 11	English (Poet Visit) Reward Trips English (Author visit) Careers week Inclusivity Maths - Money week Pride	Listening and understanding Motivation, setting targets, achievement. Listening and understanding Future aspirations Respect/diversity Responsibility/accountability/life long learning Gender Identity, acceptance and respect.				



Accessibility and inclusivity



We are committed to ensuring that all students have equal access to high-quality Personal Development education, regardless of their disabilities or special education needs. We recognize the importance of creating an inclusive environment where every student can actively participate, engage, and succeed. This section of the PD policy outlines our approach to inclusivity and the provision of adapted equipment to support students with disabilities or special education needs.

1. Inclusive Teaching Strategies:

The Oakwood T&L principles are based upon inclusive teaching strategies to meet the diverse learning needs of students.

Modifications to instructional methods, assessments, and assignments will be made to accommodate individual students, ensuring that they can actively engage and demonstrate their understanding of the different concepts.

2. Adapted Equipment:

Oakwood is equipped with a range of adapted equipment to facilitate the participation and learning of students with disabilities or special education needs.

Assistive technologies, such as screen readers, and alternative input devices, will be provided to students with fine and gross motor difficulties.

For students with mobility impairments, accessible adjustable-height tables are available to ensure they can comfortably participate and complete their work.

Tactile models, enlarged diagrams, and other sensory aids will be used to enhance the learning experience for students with visual impairments.

Additional supports, such as magnifiers, colored overlays, or specialized seating, will be provided based on individual student needs.

5. Accessibility of Facilities:

Classrooms are designed and organized to provide easy accessibility for students with disabilities or special education needs.

Clear pathways, wheelchair ramps, within the classrooms.

Appropriate desk resources such as writing/sloping boards, pencil grips, bolder/wider lines in books, all will be put in place to ensure students can work independently.

Ear defenders are available for those struggling with noise.

Consideration will always be given to the placement of equipment and resources ensuring that it is accessible and adjustable to accommodate students with varying physical abilities.

British Values

British Values

- Extremism and radicalization All subject teachers in the department are familiar with the indicators of vulnerability to extremism and radicalization and the procedures for dealing with concerns. When delivering lessons in PD we look out for indicators and report any concerns. We work to prevent pupils from developing extreme and radical views by embedding SMSC principles throughout the curriculum.
- Promoting values During lessons we strive to create a learning environment which promotes respect, diversity and self-awareness and equips all of our pupils with the knowledge, skills, attitudes and values they will need to succeed in their future lives.
- Planning for British Values we have looked at all areas of our PD curriculum and have pre-planned the coverage of the British values through the topics that we have selected.

Personal Development curriculum - SMSC overview

Oakwood ensures pupils' SMSC development through both implicit teaching and through other aspects of school life.

Social

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Explicit PD curriculum opportunities



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SMSC / British Values assemblies



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Anti Bullying Week



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Children's Mental Health Week



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Safe Internet Day



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Careers Week



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Personal Development curriculum - SMSC overview

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Votes for Schools

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Teaching of PD

(discussion and reflection based)

Opportunities for discussion and reflection within lesson time.

Personal Development curriculum - SMSC overview

Oakwood Academy

	KS2 Curriculum	KS3 Curriculum	KS4 Curriculum
Social Investigate moral issues; appreciate diverse viewpoints; participate, volunteer and cooperate; resolve conflict; engage with the fundamental values of British democracy.	 Participate and cooperate in discussions with others Investigate and reflect on moral issues within the curriculum and during 'Votes for Schools' lessons 	 Participate and cooperate in discussions with others Investigate and reflect on moral issues within the curriculum and during 'Votes for Schools' lessons Learning about healthy and unhealthy relationships 	 Participate and cooperate in discussions with others Investigate and reflect on moral issues within the curriculum and during 'Votes for Schools' lessons
Recognise right and wrong: respect the law; understand consequences; investigate moral and ethical issues; offer reasoned views and have an appreciation of British Values.	 Progressive schemes of work on 'Rules and Law', 'Law, Crime and Society' and 'keeping safe online' Links to citizenship outcomes through PE curriculum Appreciate moral and ethical issues during curriculum SOW and votes for schools Recognize right and wrong in relation to conflict within society 	 Progressive schemes of work on 'Rules and Law', 'Law, Crime and Society' and 'keeping safe online' Links to citizenship outcomes through PE curriculum Appreciate moral and ethical issues during curriculum SOW and votes for schools Recognize right and wrong in relation to conflict within society Learning to take care of the environment 	 Appreciate moral and ethical issues during curriculum SOW and votes for schools Recognize right and wrong in relation to conflict within society Appreciating consequences relating to law and crime Preparing for adulthood
Spiritual Explore beliefs; respect faiths, feelings and values; enjoy learning about oneself, others and the surrounding world; use imagination and creativity; reflect.	 Respecting multi cultural faiths and beliefs or others Enjoy learning about yourself and personal strengths Enjoying learning about the local community and surrounding world 	 Participate in discussions with others about 'my local area' and what makes it unique (i.e. a multicultural society) Appreciate diverse feelings and values 	 Exploring beliefs and respecting faiths when exploring the local community
Cultural Appreciate cultural influences; appreciate the role of Britain's parliamentary system; participate in culture opportunities; understand, accept, respect and celebrate diversity	Investigating moral issues and diverse viewpoints	 Appreciate cultural influences in 'my local area' and what makes it unique Investigating moral issues and diverse viewpoints Learning about diversity and inclusion Appreciate the role of Britain's parliamentary system through curriculum schemes of work such as 'Politics and Parliament' 	Investigating moral issues and diverse viewpoints

British values overview in the PD curriculum

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Democracy

A state of society characterised by equality of rights and privileges

The Rule of Law

All people and institutions are subject to and accountable to law that is fairly applied and enforced.

Individual Liberty

Individual liberty suggests the free exercise of rights generally seen as outside Government control.

Mutual Respect and Tolerance

The proper regard for an individual's dignity, which is reciprocated.

Overview

Some examples include:

'VotesforSchools' mission is "to give young people the knowledge they need and tools required to change the world around them. The programme helps teachers to address current affairs and sensitive topics while lighting up the classroom and sparking student interest in new areas. The voting platform gives young people a respected and influential voice

Votes for Schools

Respecting differences between people (Willows)









Schemes of work within the PD curriculum at Key Stage 2 which

- Identify some differences and similarities between people in terms of ethnicity, culture, religious identity etc. (protected characteristics in the Equality Act 2010).
- Explain that we should never make assumptions about people because they belong to a particular group or share a particular

Belonging to a community (Willows)







Schemes of work within the PD curriculum at Key Stage 2 which focuses on: Identify different groups that make up our Suggest ways we can help people to feel welcome in the different groups and communities we belong to

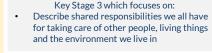
Taking care of the environment (Year 7)











Schemes of work within the PD curriculum at

Schemes of work within the PD curriculum at Key

Stage 3 which focuses on: Explain how rules help us; rules we have in the

Identify what might happen if we did not have rules and laws or if people ignored them

classroom and at home

Rules and laws (Year 7)









Schemes of work within the PD curriculum at Key Stage 3 which focuses on: Describe some of the similarities, differences and diversity among people of different race, faith and culture

- Describe what is meant by rights and responsibilities
- Recognise that everyone has 'human rights' and that the law protects these rights
- Explain that different cultures and faith groups have the right to practise their customs and beliefs within British law.







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Politics and Parliament (Year 7)

Schemes of work within the PD curriculum at Key Stage 2 which focuses on?

Managing online information (Year 8)





Schemes of work within the PD curriculum at Key Stage 3 which

- Explain the influence that fake news can have on people's opinions, attitudes to others and understanding of the world
- Identify organisations/ websites that can help us or other people with concerns about something seen or experienced

Law, crime and society (Year 8)









Schemes of work within the PD curriculum at Key Stage 3 which focuses on the law system and consequences to actions

Combatting extremism and terrorism (Year 9)











Prejudice and discrimination (Year 10)









Schemes of work within the PD curriculum at Key Stage 4 which focuses on awareness and citizenship

Employment rights and responsibilities (Year 11)







Schemes of work within the PD curriculum at Key Stage 4 which focuses

- The skills and attributes to manage rights and responsibilities at
- including health and safety procedures
- Know about the unacceptability and illegality of discrimination and harassment in
- the workplace, and how to challenge it
- Describe the role of trade unions and professional organisations; when and how to constructively challenge workplace behaviours

Home Learning Policy

Students have Home Learning packs whereby they can choose a selection of work to complete
from a list of given topics. For each year group there a range of tasks to choose from that
they will complete over the course of a half term, as part of the Home Learning pack. These
are opportunities to extend knowledge, skills or recap and retain prior learning.







Celebrating Success.

Here at Oakwood we thrive on our students success no matter how small it is or how it comes to our students, they are all individual and unique and we 100% encourage them to grow and become confident and inspirational people. By accepting challenges and overcoming problems it allows them to share in experiences they may never have had the opportunity to do before.

We constantly praise our students, give out certificates and postcards for them to share with the people they go home to, phone calls home, information is shared on class dojo as well as in our school newsletters, we hand out raffle tickets so they can win prizes. We advertise their success on the digital screens around school, display their work, encourage them to participate in events throughout the year.

We also take an interest in their progress as they move on from Oakwood. We love hearing their stories on how some have gone on to internships, jobs and gained higher qualifications at college/university. We share their journey and wish them well.











Celebrating success in having the confidence to stand and speak in front of a small group, internships at Salford Royal hospital, showing their creative side and designing and painting pebbles as well as remembering past pupils.











And being part of something, taking part and celebrating a part of history, coming together as a community as a school; having fun with friends and making memories.