



# St Weonards Academy

Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education Policy

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#### Introduction

All schools must provide a curriculum that is broadly based, balanced and meets the needs of all pupils. Under section 78 of the Education Act 2002 and the Academies Act 2010, a PSHE curriculum:

- Promotes the spiritual, moral, cultural, mental and physical development of pupils at the school and of society, and
- Prepares pupils at the school for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of later life.

An amendment to the Children and Social Work Act 2017 made **Relationships and Health Education** at primary; and Relationships, Sex, and Health Education at secondary, statutory subjects. Details of this can be found in the RSE Policy.

This PSHE policy is also informed by DfE guidance on Relationships, Sex and Health Education (as above), **preventing and tackling bullying** (Preventing and tackling bullying: Advice for head teachers, staff and governing bodies, July 2013, updated 2017), **Drug and Alcohol Education** (DfE and ACPO drug advice for schools: Advice for local authorities, headteachers, school staff and governing bodies, September 2012), **safeguarding** (Working Together to Safeguard Children: A guide to inter-agency working to safeguard and promote the welfare of children, March 2013 and **Keeping Children Safe in Education, 2018**) and **equality** 

(Equality Act 2010: Advice for school leaders, school staff, governing bodies and local authorities, revised June 2014.

As a school we have made the decision to follow the Jigsaw Programme which meets all the outcomes in the PSHE Association Programmes of Study, 2017 and the requirements of the DfE publication Statutory Guidance for Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education and Health Education, 2020.

#### Aim of the PSHE policy

To provide pupils with the knowledge, understanding, attitudes, values and skills they need in order to reach their potential as individuals and within the community.

Pupils are encouraged to take part in a wide range of activities and experiences across and beyond the curriculum, contributing fully to the life of their school and communities. In doing so they learn to recognise their own worth, work well with others and become increasingly responsible for their own learning. They 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.

They learn 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.

In our school we choose to deliver Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education using Jigsaw, the mindful approach to PSHE.

#### Objectives/Pupil learning intentions:

Jigsaw PSHE will support the development of the skills, attitudes, values and behaviour, which enable pupils to:

- Have a sense of purpose
- Value self and others
- Form relationships
- Make and act on informed decisions
- Communicate effectively
- · Work with others
- Respond to challenge
- Be an active partner in their own learning
- Be active citizens within the local community
- Explore issues related to living in a democratic society
- · Become healthy and fulfilled individuals

## **Jigsaw Content**

Jigsaw covers all areas of PSHE for the primary phase, as the following table shows:

Puzzle name	Content
Being Me in My	Includes understanding my place in the class, school and global
World	community as well as devising Learning Charters
Celebrating	Includes anti-bullying (cyber and homophobic bullying included) and
Difference	diversity work
Dreams and Goals	_Includes goal-setting, aspirations and resilience building
Healthy Me	Includes drugs and alcohol education, self-esteem and confidence as
	well as healthy lifestyle choices (on and off line)
Relationships	Includes understanding friendship, family and other relationships,
	conflict resolution and communication skills
Summer 2: Changing Me	Includes Sex and Relationship Education in the context of looking at
	and managing change (See RSE Policy)
	Being Me in My World Celebrating Difference Dreams and Goals Healthy Me Relationships

# Health Education including substance education, mental health education and safety education

Effective Health Education can make a significant contribution to the development of the personal skills needed by pupils as they grow up. It also enables young people to make responsible and informed decisions about their own and others' health and well-being.

## **Moral and Values Framework**

The PSHE programme at our school reflects the school ethos and demonstrates and encourages the following values. For example:

- Respect for self
- Respect for others
- Responsibility for their own actions
- Responsibility for their, family, friends, school and wider community

#### How is Jigsaw PSHE organised in school?

Jigsaw brings together PSHE Education, emotional literacy, social skills and spiritual development in a comprehensive scheme of learning. Teaching strategies are varied and are mindful of preferred learning styles and the need for differentiation. Jigsaw is designed as a whole school approach, with all year groups working on the same theme (Puzzle) at the same time. This enables each Puzzle to start with an introductory assembly, generating a whole school focus for adults and children alike.

There are six Puzzles in Jigsaw that are designed to progress in sequence from Autumn to June/July. Each Puzzle has six Pieces (lessons) which work towards an 'end product', for example, The School Learning Charter or The Garden of Dreams and Goals.

Each Piece (lesson) has two Learning Intentions: one is based on specific PSHE learning (covering the non-statutory national framework for PSHE Education and the statutory Relationships and Health Education guidance, but enhanced to address children's needs today); and one is based on emotional literacy and social skills development to enhance children's emotional and mental health. The enhancements mean that Jigsaw, the mindful approach to PSHE, is relevant to children living in today's world as it helps them understand and be equipped to cope with issues like body image, cyber and homophobic bullying, and internet safety.

Every Piece (lesson) contributes to at least one of these aspects of children's development. This is mapped on each Piece and balanced across each year.

To meet the needs of our mixed age classes, Jigsaw provides a spiral, progressive approach to a range of key concepts, enabling differentiation to be applied across lower and upper primary phases through a planned rolling programme.

## The Learning Environment

Establishing a safe, open and positive learning environment based on trusting relationships between all members of the class, adults and children alike, is vital. To enable this, it is important that 'ground rules' are agreed and owned at the beginning of the year and are reinforced in every Piece (lesson) – by using The Jigsaw Charter. (Ideally, teachers and children will devise their own Jigsaw Charter at the beginning of the year so that they have ownership of it.) It needs to include the aspects below:

#### The Jigsaw Charter

- We take turns to speak
- · We use kind and positive words
- We listen to each other
- We have the right to pass
- We only use names when giving compliments or when being positive
- We respect each other's privacy (confidentiality)

#### **Assessment**

Each Puzzle (unit of work) has a built-in assessment task, usually in Lesson (Piece) 6. This task is the formal opportunity for teacher assessment, but also offers children the chance to assess their own learning and have a conversation with the teacher about their two opinions. In addition, as part of the Help me Reflect section of every Jigsaw lesson, children can complete a self/peer assessment using the My Jigsaw Journey/Learning resource that accompanies each lesson. All assessed work can be collated as part of the children's Jigsaw Journals.

Each Puzzle (unit of work) has a set of three level descriptors for each year group:

Working towards

Working at

Working beyond

# **Equal Opportunities**

At St Weonards Academy we are committed to providing all children with an equal entitlement to activities and opportunities regardless of race, gender, culture or class.

## Inclusion

Jigsaw is written as a universal core curriculum provision for all children. Inclusivity is part of its philosophy. Teachers tailor each Piece (lesson) to meet the needs of the children in their classes. To support this differentiation, many Jigsaw Pieces (lessons) suggest creative learning activities that allow children to choose the media with which they work and give them scope to work to their full potential.

## Safeguarding

Teachers need to be aware that sometimes disclosures may be made during Jigsaw lessons; in which case, safeguarding procedures must be followed immediately. Sometimes it is clear that certain children may need time to talk one-to-one after the lesson closes. It is important to allow the time and appropriate staffing for this to happen. If disclosures occur, the school's child protection policy is followed.

# **Monitoring and Review**

This policy is reviewed annually by the Governing Body.