

This course provides a wide range of knowledge and understanding in the area of personal, social, health and economic wellbeing. It is vital for successful progression to further education, training or employment.

This course builds on:

- The programmes of study at KS3.

The course aims to:

- Help to prepare students for work experience and post 16 options.
- Encourage a consideration of one's own identity and raise self-esteem.
- Increase an understanding of diversity.
- Increase knowledge and awareness of stereotyping and discrimination in the workplace.
- Develop an appreciation of the world of work and the many varied opportunities for future employment.
- Consider a range of health and drug related issues.
- Increase an understanding of responsibilities of parenting.
- Provide students with the skills and awareness to cope with financial issues.
- To achieve future life success students need to be well prepared for all aspects of adult life including safe and healthy relationships.
- Promote a lifelong learning about physical, sexual, moral and emotional development. It is about the understanding of the importance of stable and loving relationships, respect, love and care, for family life. It involves acquiring information, developing skills and forming positive beliefs, values and attitudes.
- Ensure that key learning is sensitive to student age; information can be found on the school website, on the PSHE learning plans and on unit overviews.

Coursework:

- At the end of each module students will assess their own work and set targets that will be of benefit to them in the future.

Examination:

- There will be no examination in PSHE.

Progression Pathways to further and higher education:

- It is essential that students are able to assess their own strengths and weaknesses in order to progress into further and higher education.
- PSHE is invaluable in successfully encouraging empathy and understanding of fellow students and members of the wider community beyond the school.
- Students are encouraged to explore a wide range of occupational areas suited to their abilities and interests – this enables them to make the best possible choices at 16+.

Career Opportunities:

- All employers value employees who can work as part of a team, evaluate and assess experiences, plan realistically and communicate effectively – these skills are encouraged and developed throughout the PSHE programmes of study.
- Caring (teaching, nurse, elderly), Social Work, Careers Advisor, Counsellor, Therapist, Youth Worker, Community Development Officer etc.