

# RELATIONSHIPS, SEX & HEALTH EDUCATION (RSHE) POLICY

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#### Statement of intent

At Prince Henry's Grammar School, we understand the importance of educating students about sex, relationships and their health, for them to make responsible and well-informed decisions in their lives.

The teaching of RSE and Health Education (RSHE) can help to prepare students for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of adult life. It allows us to promote the spiritual, moral, social, cultural, mental and physical development of students at school and in the wider society.

We have an obligation to provide students with high-quality, evidence and age-appropriate teaching of these subjects. This policy outlines how the school's RSHE provision is organised and delivered, to ensure it meets the needs of all students.

## 1. Legal framework

This policy has due regard to all relevant legislation and statutory guidance including, but not limited to, the following:

- Equality Act 2010
- The Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education and Health Education (England) Regulations 2019
- Children and Social Work Act 2017
- DfE (2021) 'Keeping children safe in education 2022'
- DfE (2021) 'Teaching about relationships, sex and health'
- DfE (2019) 'Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) and Health Education'
- DfE (2015) 'National curriculum in England: science programmes of study'

This policy operates in conjunction with the following school policies:

- Social Media Policy (on behalf of the school)
- Computing Facilities Guidance and Acceptable Use Policy
- Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy
- Anti-Bullying Policy
- PSHE and Citizenship Policy
- Mobile Phone Policy
- Behavioural Policy
- Disciplinary Policy and Procedures
- Data Protection Policy
- iPad User Agreement (Student)

# 2. Roles and responsibilities

The governing board is responsible for:

- Ensuring all students make progress in achieving the expected educational outcomes.
- Ensuring the RSHE curriculum is well-led, effectively managed and well-planned.
- Evaluating the quality of provision through regular and effective self-evaluation.
- Ensuring that teaching is delivered in ways that are accessible to all students with SEND.
- Providing clear information to parents on the subject content and the right to request that their child is withdrawn.
- Ensuring RSHE is resourced, staffed and timetabled in a way that ensures the school can fulfil its legal obligations.

The Assistant Headteacher for Learner Support and DSL is responsible for:

- The overall implementation of this policy.
- Ensuring all staff are suitably trained to deliver the subjects.
- Ensuring parents are fully informed of this policy.

- Reviewing all requests to withdraw students from non-statutory elements of the RSHE curriculum.
- Discussing withdrawal requests with parents, and the student if appropriate, to ensure their wishes are understood and to clarify the nature and purpose of the curriculum, including the benefits of receiving the education.
- Ensuring withdrawn students receive appropriate, purposeful education during the period of withdrawal.
- Encouraging parents to be involved in consultations regarding reviews of the school's RSHE curriculum.
- Reviewing this policy on an annual basis.
- Reporting to the governing board on the effectiveness of this policy and the curriculum.

#### The PSHE and Citizenship Area Leader is responsible for:

- Overseeing the delivery of RSHE.
- Working closely with colleagues in related curriculum areas to ensure the RSHE curriculum compliments, and does not duplicate, the content covered in other curriculum subjects.
- Ensuring the curriculum is age-appropriate and of high quality.
- Reviewing changes to the RSHE curriculum and advising on their implementation.
- Monitoring the learning and teaching of RSHE, providing support to staff where necessary.
- Ensuring the continuity and progression between each year group.
- Helping to develop colleagues' expertise in the subject.
- Ensuring teachers are provided with adequate resources to support teaching of the curriculum.
- Ensuring the school meets its statutory requirements in relation to RSHE.
- Leading staff meetings and ensuring all members of staff involved in the curriculum have received the appropriate training.
- Organising, providing and monitoring CPD opportunities in the subject.
- Ensuring the correct standards are met for recording and assessing student performance.
- Monitoring and evaluating the effectiveness of the subjects and providing reports to the Assistant Headteacher for Learner Support and DSL.

#### The Assistant Headteacher for Learner Support and DSL is responsible for:

- Offering advice and consultation for safeguarding-related subjects in the RSHE curriculum.
- Promoting knowledge and awareness of safeguarding issues amongst staff.
- Being an appropriate point of contact for staff who have concerns about the welfare of a student that have arisen through the teaching of RSHE.

#### Teaching staff are responsible for:

• Acting in accordance with, and promoting, this policy.

- Delivering RSHE in a manner that is sensitive, of high quality and appropriate for each year group.
- Ensuring they do not express personal views or beliefs when delivering the curriculum.
- Planning lessons effectively, ensuring a range of appropriate teaching methods and resources are used to cover the content.
- Modelling positive attitudes to RSHE.
- Liaising with the SENCO to identify and respond to individual needs of students with SEND. Liaising with the PSHE and Citizenship Area Leader on key topics, resources and support for individual students.
- Monitoring student progress in RSHE.
- Reporting any concerns regarding the teaching of RSE or health education to the PSHE and Citizenship Area Leader or a member of the SLT.
- Reporting any safeguarding concerns or disclosures that students may make as a result of the subject content to the DSL.
- Responding appropriately to students whose parents have requested to withdraw them
  from the non-statutory components of RSE, by providing them with alternative
  education opportunities.

The SENCO is responsible for:

- Advising teaching staff how best to identify and support students' individual needs.
- Advising staff on the use of TAs in order to meet students' individual needs.

## 3. Organisation of the RSHE curriculum

For the purpose of this policy:

- "RSHE" is used to refer to the overall programme of relationships, sex and health education.
- "RSE" refers to relationships and sex education and is defined as teaching students about developing healthy, nurturing relationships of all kinds, and helping them to understand human sexuality and to respect themselves and others.
- "Health education" is defined as teaching students about how they can make good decisions about their own health and wellbeing, and how physical health and mental wellbeing are interlinked.

The RSHE curriculum has been developed, and will be monitored and reviewed, in consultation with teachers, students and parents, and in accordance with latest DfE recommendations.

We will gather the views of teachers, students and parents in the following ways:

- Questionnaires
- Meetings
- Letters
- Training sessions

The majority of the RSHE curriculum is delivered through PSHE and Citizenship Education provision, with some statutory elements taught via the science, IT and computing, DT, PE and ERP/PREP curriculums. The PSHE and Citizenship Area Leader will work closely with colleagues in related curriculum areas to ensure the curriculum complements and does not duplicate the content covered in national curriculum subjects.

The school will ensure that the curriculum remains in line with the DfE's 'Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) and Health Education' guidance at all times.

The school will consider the context and views of the wider local community when developing the curriculum to ensure it is reflective of circumstances in the local area. The religious background of all students will also be considered when planning teaching, to ensure all topics included are appropriately handled.

The RSHE curriculum will be informed by topical issues in the school and wider community, to ensure it is tailored to students' needs, e.g. if there was a local prevalence of specific sexually transmitted infections, our curriculum would be tailored to address this issue.

## 4. RSE subject overview

RSE will continue to develop students' knowledge on the topics taught at a primary level, in addition to the content outlined in this section.

#### **Families**

By the end of secondary school, students will know:

- That there are different types of committed, stable relationships.
- How these relationships might contribute to human happiness and their importance for bringing up children.
- What marriage is, including their legal status, e.g. that marriage carries legal rights and protections not available to couples who are cohabiting or who have married, for example, in an unregistered religious ceremony.
- Why marriage is an important relationship choice for many couples and why it must be freely entered into.
- About the characteristics and legal status of other types of long-term relationships.
- About the roles and responsibilities of parents with respect to raising children, including the characteristics of successful parenting.

Students will also know how to:

- Determine whether other children, adults or sources of information are trustworthy.
- Judge when a family, friend, intimate or other relationship is unsafe, and recognise this in others' relationships.
- Seek help or advice if needed, including reporting concerns about others.

#### Respectful relationships, including friendships

By the end of secondary school, students will know:

- About the characteristics of positive and healthy friendships in all contexts (including online), including trust, respect, honesty, kindness, generosity, boundaries, privacy, consent and the management of conflict, reconciliation and ending relationships. This includes different (non-sexual) types of relationships.
- Practical steps they can take in a range of different contexts to improve or support respectful relationships.
- How stereotypes, particularly those based on sex, gender, race, religion, sexual orientation or disability, can cause damage, e.g. how they might normalise nonconsensual behaviour.
- That in school and wider society they can expect to be treated with respect by others, and that in turn they should show due respect to others, including people in positions of authority and due tolerance of other people's beliefs.
- About different types of bullying (including cyberbullying), the impact of bullying, responsibilities of bystanders to report bullying and how and where to seek help.
- About the types of behaviour in relationships that can be criminal, including violent behaviour and coercive control.
- What constitutes sexual harassment and violence and why these are always unacceptable.
- About the legal rights and responsibilities regarding equality, with reference to the protected characteristics defined in the Equality Act 2010, and that everyone is unique and equal.

#### Online and media

By the end of secondary school, students will know:

- Their rights, responsibilities and opportunities online, and that the same expectations
  of behaviour apply in all contexts.
- About online risks, including that material shared with another person has the potential
  to be shared online and the difficulty of removing potentially compromising material
  placed online.
- Not to provide material to others that they would not want shared further and not to share personal material which they receive.
- What to do and where to get support to report material or manage issues online.
- The impact of viewing harmful content.
- That specifically sexually explicit material, e.g. pornography, presents a distorted picture of sexual behaviours, can damage the way people see themselves in relation to others and negatively affect how they behave towards sexual partners.
- That sharing and viewing indecent images of children is a criminal offence which carries severe penalties, including jail.
- How information and data is generated, collected, shared and used online.

#### Being safe

By the end of secondary school, students will know:

- About the concepts of, and laws relating to, sexual consent, sexual exploitation, abuse, grooming, coercion, harassment, rape, domestic abuse, forced marriage, honourbased violence and FGM, and how these can affect current and future relationships.
- How people can actively communicate and recognise consent from others, including sexual consent, and how and when consent can be withdrawn this includes online.

#### Intimate and sexual relationships, including sexual health

- By the end of secondary school, students will know:
- How to recognise the characteristics and positive aspects of healthy one-to-one intimate relationships, which include mutual respect, consent, loyalty, trust, shared interests and outlook, sex and friendship.
- That all aspects of health can be affected by choices they make in sex and relationships, positively and negatively, e.g. physical, emotional, mental, sexual and reproductive health and wellbeing.
- The facts about reproductive health, including fertility and the potential impact of lifestyle on fertility for both men and women.
- The range of strategies for identifying and managing sexual pressure, including understanding peer pressure, resisting pressure and not pressurising others.
- That they have a choice to delay sex or enjoy intimacy without sex.
- The facts about the full range of contraceptive choices, their effectiveness and options available.
- The facts around pregnancy including miscarriage.
- That there are choices in relation to pregnancy, with legally and medically accurate, impartial information on all options including keeping the baby, adoption, abortion and where to get further help.
- How the different sexually transmitted infections (STIs) are transmitted, how risk can be reduced through safer sex and the importance of facts about testing.
- About the prevalence of some STIs, the impact they can have on those who contract them and key facts about treatment.
- How the use of alcohol and drugs can lead to risky sexual behaviour.
- How to get further advice, including how and where to access confidential sexual and reproductive health advice and treatment.

# 5. Health education subject overview

The physical health and mental wellbeing curriculum will continue to develop students' knowledge on the topics taught at a primary level, in addition to the content outlined in this section.

#### Mental wellbeing

By the end of secondary school, students will know:

- How to talk about their emotions accurately and sensitively, using appropriate vocabulary.
- That happiness is linked to being connected to others.
- How to recognise the early signs of mental wellbeing concerns.

- About common types of mental ill health, e.g. anxiety and depression.
- How to critically evaluate when something they do or are involved in has a positive or negative effect on their own or others' mental health.
- About the benefits and importance of physical exercise, time outdoors, community participation and voluntary and service-based activities on mental wellbeing and happiness.

#### Internet safety and harms

By the end of secondary school, students will know:

- About the similarities and differences between the online world and the physical world, including the impact of unhealthy or obsessive comparison with others online, overreliance on online relationships, the risks related to online gambling, how information is targeted at them and how to be a discerning consumer of information online.
- How to identify harmful behaviours online, including bullying, abuse or harassment, and how to report, or find support, if they have been affected by those behaviours.

#### Physical health and fitness

By the end of secondary school, students will know about:

- The positive associations between physical activity and promotion of mental wellbeing, including as an approach to combat stress.
- The characteristics and evidence of what constitutes a healthy lifestyle, maintaining a healthy weight, including the links between an inactive lifestyle and ill health.
- About the science relating to blood, organ and stem cell donation.

#### Healthy eating

By the end of secondary school, students will know how to maintain healthy eating and the links between a poor diet and health risks, including tooth decay and cancer.

#### Drugs, alcohol and tobacco

By the end of secondary school, students will know about:

- The facts about legal and illegal drugs and their associated risks, including the link between drug use and serious mental health conditions.
- The law relating to the supply and possession of illegal substances.
- The physical and psychological risks associated with alcohol consumption and what constitutes low risk alcohol consumption in adulthood.
- The physical and psychological consequences of addition, including alcohol dependency.
- The dangers of drugs which are prescribed but still present serious health risks.
- The facts about the harms from smoking tobacco, the benefits of quitting and how to access the support to do so.

#### **Health and prevention**

By the end of secondary school, students will know about:

- Personal hygiene, germs including bacteria, viruses, how they are spread, treatment and prevention of infection, and about antibiotics.
- Dental health and the benefits of good oral hygiene and dental flossing, including healthy eating and regular check-ups at the dentist.
- The benefits of regular self-examination and screening.
- The facts and science relating to immunisation and vaccination.
- The importance of sufficient good quality sleep for good health and how a lack of sleep can affect weight, mood and ability to learn.

#### **Basic first aid**

By the end of secondary school, students will know:

- Basic treatments for common injuries.
- Life-saving skills, including how to administer CPR.
- About the purpose of defibrillators and when one might be needed.

#### Changing adolescent body

By the end of secondary school, students will know:

- Key facts about puberty, the changing adolescent body and menstrual wellbeing.
- About the main changes which take place in males and females, and the implications for emotional and physical health.

## 6. Key Stages 3,4 and 5: Programmes of study

The school has ensured that an age-appropriate, developmental PSHE and Citizenship curriculum has been planned and delivered to meet the needs of young people as well as including all statutory RSHE content outlined in Sections 4 and 5 of this policy.

The full structure and curriculum plan for PSHE and Citizenship in KS3 and 4 and is available in Appendix 1.

## 7. Delivery of the curriculum

Through effective organisation and delivery of the RSHE, we will ensure that:

- Core knowledge is sectioned into units of a manageable size.
- The required content is communicated to students clearly, in a carefully sequenced way, within a planned scheme of work.
- Teaching includes sufficient and well-chosen opportunities and contexts for students to embed new knowledge so that it can be used confidently in real-life situations.

RSHE complement several other curriculum subjects. Where appropriate, the school will look for opportunities to make links between the subjects and integrate teaching.

The RSHE curriculum will be delivered by qualified teachers with access to regular training.

The curriculum will proactively address issues in a timely way in line with current evidence on student's physical, emotional and sexual development. RSHE will be delivered in a non-judgemental, age-appropriate, factual and inclusive way that allows students to ask questions in a safe environment.

Teaching of the curriculum reflects requirements set out in law, particularly in the Equality Act 2010, so that students understand what the law does and does not allow, and the wider legal implications of the decisions they make.

The school will integrate LGBTQ+ content into the RSHE curriculum – this content will be taught as part of the overall curriculum, rather than a standalone topic or lesson. LGBTQ+ content will be approached in a sensitive, age-appropriate and factual way that allows students to explore gender identity and the features of stable and healthy same-sex relationships.

All students are expected to learn about LGBTQ+ content, and parents do not have a statutory right to withdraw their children from lessons that include LGBTQ+ content.

The curriculum will be designed to focus on students of all gender identities and expressions and activities will be planned to ensure all are actively involved. Where there is reference to heterosexual and cisgender majorities, this will be noted as specific to these groups, not assuming this as a 'norm'.

The school will ensure it delivers teaching on sensitive topics, e.g. the body, in a way that is appropriate and sensitive to the various needs of the school community, e.g. cultural background.

All teaching and resources will be assessed by the PSHE and Citizenship Area Leader to ensure they are appropriate for the age and maturity of students, are sensitive to their religious backgrounds and meet the needs of any SEND, if applicable. Throughout every year group, appropriate diagrams, videos, books, games, discussion and practical activities will be used to assist learning. Inappropriate images, videos, etc., will not be used, and resources will be selected with sensitivity given to the age and cultural background of students. Students will be prevented from accessing inappropriate materials on the internet when using such to assist with their learning. The prevention measures taken to ensure this are outlined in the school's Online Safety Policy, and Acceptable Terms of Use Agreement.

Teachers will ensure that students' views are listened to and will encourage them to ask questions and engage in discussion. Teachers will answer questions sensitively and honestly.

Teachers will focus heavily on the importance of healthy relationships, including marriage, when teaching RSE, though sensitivity will always be given as to not stigmatise students on the basis of their home circumstances. In teaching the curriculum, teachers will be aware that students may raise topics such as self-harm and suicide. When talking about these topics in lessons, teachers will be aware of the risks of encouraging these behaviours and will avoid any resources or material that appear as instructive rather than preventative.

Teachers will ensure lesson focus on challenging perceived views of students based on protected characteristics, through exploration of, and developing mutual respect for, those different to themselves.

At all points of delivery of the curriculum, parents will be consulted, and their views will be valued. What will be taught and how, will be planned in consultation with parents.

#### 8. Curriculum links

The school will seek opportunities to draw links between RSHE and other curriculum subjects wherever possible to enhance students' learning. RSHE will be linked to the following subjects:

- PSHE students learn about respect and difference, values and characteristics of individuals.
- **Citizenship** students are provided with the knowledge, skills and understanding to help prepare them to play a full and active part in society, including an understanding of how laws are made and upheld and how to make sensible decisions.
- **Science** students are taught about the main external parts of the body and changes to the human body as it grows, including puberty.
- **ICT and computing** students are taught about how they can keep themselves safe online and the different risks that they may face online as they get older.
- PE students can develop competence to excel in a broad range of physical activities, are physically active for sustained periods of time, engage in competitive sport and lead healthy, active lives.
- **DT** students are taught about healthy lifestyles and balanced diets as part of the food technology element of Design and Technology.
- **EPR/PREP** students learn within the disciplines of philosophical, ethical and religious studies to give a broad understanding of various issues and perspectives, within a diverse and pluralistic society.

# 9. Working with parents

The school understands that parents' role in the development of their children's understanding about relationships, sex and health is vital and will, therefore, engage parents as far as possible in their children's learning. This will include providing parents with frequent opportunities to understand and ask questions about the school's approach to RSHE.

The school will consult closely with parents when reviewing the content of the school's RSHE curriculum, and will be given regular opportunities to voice their opinions and concerns. The school will use the views of parents to inform decisions made about the curriculum content and delivery; however, parents will **not** be granted a 'veto' on curriculum content, and all final decisions will be the school's to make.

When in consultation with parents, the school will provide:

- The curriculum content, including what will be taught and when.
- Examples of the resources the school intends to use to deliver the curriculum.
- Information about parents' right to withdraw their child from non-statutory elements of RSHE.

The school will remain aware that the teaching of some aspects of the curriculum may be of concern to parents. If parents have concerns regarding RSHE, they will submit these to the School Office, FAO: Assistant Headteacher for Learner Support and DSL, or contact the school office to arrange a meeting with the Assistant Headteacher for Learner Support and DSL.

## 10. Working with external agencies

Working with external agencies will be used to enhance our delivery of RSHE and bring in specialist knowledge and different ways of engaging students. External experts may be invited to assist from time-to-time with the delivery of the RSHE curriculum but will be expected to comply with the provisions of this policy.

When working with external agencies, the school will:

- Check the visitor credentials of all external agencies.
- Ensure the teaching delivered by the external experts fits with the planned curriculum and provisions of this policy.
- Discuss with the visitor the details of how they intend to deliver their sessions and ensure the content is age-appropriate and accessible for all students.
- Request copies of the materials and lesson plans the visitor will use, to ensure it meets the full range of students' needs.
- Agree with the agency on how confidentiality will work in any lesson and that the visitor understands how safeguarding reports must be dealt with in line with the school's Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy.

The school will use visitors to enhance teaching by an appropriate member of teaching staff, not to replace teaching by those staff.

#### 11. Withdrawal from lessons

The school will always recognise that parents have the right to have the right to request that their child is withdrawn from some or all of sex education delivered as part of statutory RSE. The school will uphold that parents do **not** have a right to withdraw their child from the relationships or health elements of the programmes.

Requests to withdraw a child from sex education will be made in writing to the Assistant Headteacher for Learner Support and DSL.

Before granting a withdrawal request, the headteacher will discuss the request with the parents and, as appropriate, the student, to ensure their wishes are understood and to clarify the nature and purpose of the curriculum. The headteacher will inform parents of the benefits of their child receiving RSE and any detrimental effects that withdrawal might have. All discussions with parents will be documented. These records will be kept securely in the school office in line with the school's Records Management Policy.

Following discussions with parents, the school will respect the parents' request to withdraw their child up to and until three terms before the student turns 16. After this point, if the student

wishes to receive RSE rather than be withdrawn, the school will make arrangements to provide the student with RSE.

Students who are withdrawn from RSE will receive appropriate, purposeful education during the full period of withdrawal.

For requests concerning the withdrawal of a student with SEND, the Assistant Headteacher for Learner Support and DSL will take the students' specific needs into account when making their decision.

## 12. Equality and accessibility

The school will comply with the relevant requirements of the Equality Act 2010 and will ensure the curriculum does not discriminate against students because of their:

- Age
- Sex
- Race
- Disability
- · Religion or belief
- Gender reassignment
- Pregnancy or maternity
- · Marriage or civil partnership
- Sexual orientation

The school will consider the backgrounds, gender, age range and needs of its students and determine whether it is necessary to put in place additional support for students with the above protected characteristics.

The school will design the RSHE curriculum to be inclusive of all students. The school will be aware that some students are more vulnerable to exploitation, bullying and other issues due to their characteristics, e.g. SEND or being LGBTQ+. Teachers will understand that they may need to liaise with the SENCO and be more explicit and adapt their planning or work to appropriately deliver the curriculum to students with SEND.

Where there is a need to tailor content and teaching to meet the needs of students at different developmental stages, the school will ensure the teaching remains sensitive, age-appropriate, developmentally appropriate and is delivered with reference to the law.

The school will take steps to foster healthy and respectful peer-to-peer communication and behaviour between all students, and provide an environment which challenges perceived limits on students based on their gender or any other characteristic.

The school will be actively aware of everyday issues such as sexism, misogyny, homophobia and gender stereotypes and take positive action to build a culture within which these are not tolerated. Any occurrences of such issues will be identified and managed promptly. Sexual violence and sexual harassment are not acceptable and will not be tolerated. Any reports of sexual violence or sexual harassment will be handled in accordance with the school's Peeron-peer Abuse Policy.

## 13. Safeguarding and confidentiality

All students will be taught about keeping themselves safe, including online, as part of a broad and balanced curriculum.

To meet DfE's best practice advice, the DSL will be involved in the formulation of safeguarding-related areas of the curriculum, as the knowledge and resources may help to address safeguarding issues more appropriately and effectively.

When teaching issues that are particularly sensitive for students of all ages, e.g. self-harm or suicide, teachers will be made aware of the risks of inadvertently encouraging, or providing instructions to, students. Teaching of these subjects will always prioritise preventing harm to students as a central goal.

Confidentiality within the classroom will be an important component of RSHE, and teachers will be expected to respect the confidentiality of their students as far as is possible, in compliance with the school's Student Confidentiality Policy.

Teachers will, however, understand that some aspects of RSHE may lead to a student raising a safeguarding concern, e.g. disclosing that they are being abused, and that if a disclosure is made, the DSL will be alerted immediately and all concern reporting procedures will be followed. Students will be made aware of how to raise their concerns or make a report, and how their report will be handled – this includes the process for when they have a concern about a peer.

#### 14. Assessment

The school will have the same high expectations of the quality of students' work in RSHE as for other curriculum areas. Lessons will be planned to provide suitable challenge to students of all abilities.

Learning will be monitored and formative assessment methods used to identify where students need extra support or intervention. There are no formal examinations for RSHE; however, to assess student outcomes, the school will capture progress in the following ways:

- Low stakes testing
- Written tasks
- Self-evaluations
- Health and well-being surveys

## 15. Staff training

Training will be provided by the PSHE and Citizenship Area Leader to the relevant members of staff where appropriate to ensure they are up-to-date with the RSHE curriculum. Training will also be scheduled around any updated guidance on the curriculum and any new developments, e.g. "sexting", which may need to be addressed in relation to the curriculum.

The school refers to the Social Exclusion Report on Teenage Pregnancy in teacher training, and the role of an effective RSE curriculum in reducing the number of teenage conceptions.

Appropriately trained staff will be able to give students information on where and how to obtain confidential advice, counselling and treatment, as well as guidance on emergency contraception and their effectiveness.

## 16. Monitoring and review

The PSHE and Citizenship Area Leader will be responsible for monitoring the quality of teaching and learning for the subject. They will conduct monitoring on a regular basis, which will include a mixture of the following:

- Self-evaluations
- Lesson observations
- Topic feedback forms
- Learning walks
- Work scrutiny
- Lesson planning scrutiny

The PSHE and Citizenship Area Leader will create annual subject reports for the Assistant Headteacher for Learner Support and DSL and governing board to report on the quality of the subjects. They will also work regularly and consistently with the Assistant Headteacher for Learner Support and DSL through regular review meetings to evaluate the effectiveness of the subjects and implement any changes.

This policy will be reviewed by the Assistant Headteacher for Learner Support and DSL in conjunction with the PSHE and Citizenship Area Leader on an annual basis.

Any changes needed to the policy, including changes to the programmes, will be implemented by the Assistant Headteacher for Learner Support and DSL and PSHE and Citizenship Area Leader. Any changes to the policy will be clearly communicated to all members of staff and, where necessary, parents and students, involved in the RSHE curriculum.

The next scheduled review date for this policy will be May 2024.

Appendix 1: PSHE and Citizenship Programmes of Study Key Stages 3 and 4

#### PHGS 2023 onwards

## **PSHE and Citizenship Provision**

For each year group, the following key areas will be covered across the academic year:

- Personal and social relationships
- Health and well-being
- Preparing for the future
- Life in the wider world

Personal & Social Relationships

Preparing for the Future

Health & Well Being

Life in the Wider World

PSHE and Citizenship will be delivered in fortnightly sessions where students will be taken off their usual timetable for a 1-hour teaching slot, each fortnight. In addition, there will be two full days where the normal timetable is suspended and the five periods are dedicated to PSHE. Each of the three terms, plus two calendared drop-down days, will have one of these as an over-arching theme to ensure continuity and meaningful learning for our students in a spiral curriculum; this allows them to engage with the material and draw links between their learning, which should prepare them well for synthesising new information in school, as well as in their lives beyond.

Each term or day will typically include a range of different sessions, including external speakers, taught lessons and practical workshops that allow students to approach each of the key themes from a range of different perspectives and learning styles.

Students will have a designated PSHE and Citizenship exercise book kept by their tutors, where all relevant work will be completed; this includes all termly sessions, drop-down days, connected tutor sessions and some other activities/speakers/assemblies. While this will stay in school, there may be opportunities at Parents' Evenings or other face-to-face meetings for parents to see this, as requested.

Staff also receive a number of professional development opportunities to enable them to offer confident and high-quality education across the PSHE and Citizenship curriculum.

PSHE Delivery	DATES	Year Group Theme		Topic and Sessions	Key Learning and Statutory Content
		7	Personal and Social Relationships	Transition to Secondary School  Getting to know each other  Library Induction  Letter writing to future self  Learning in a safe environment  Positive Relationships  We all have Mental Health	Exploring new personal and social relationships that Year 7 students are likely to be making in their early days of secondary school, including forming positive relationships, understanding expectations, and looking to their future at Prince Henry's.
		8	Health and Well Being	Ways of Coping  Drinking Alcohol Sleeping Habits Dealing with Change Online stress and FOMO Body image All About Drugs (illegal)	Exploring ways of coping with some of the common challenges in young people's lives, including alcohol consumption, drugs, sleep habits, body image and online stress.
Term 1	September - December	9	Personal and Social Relationships	Intimate Relationships  The Basics of Consent  Preventing STIs  Contraception  Unplanned Pregnancy Sex in the Media Vaginal and Vulval Health	Exploring the realities of intimate relationships, particularly focusing on the importance of consent, making sense of relationships, contraception, unplanned pregnancy, sexual health and the portrayal of sex in the media.
		10	Preparing for the Future	Being Financially Informed  Money Choices  Understanding Debt  Work, Money and Taxation Financial Risk and Security Impact of Advertising Tackling Homelessness	Recognising and evaluating different financial concepts and choices, including managing debt, employment, income, taxation, risk, security and independence, as well as the impact of spending and advertising.
		<b>11</b> (x5)	Life in the Wider World	Families and the Future  ☐ Legal Status of Marriage	Considering some of the personal and family realities young people may face now and in the

	☐ Long-Term Commitments	future, specifically exploring experiences
	□ Parenting	surrounding family diversity, marriage, pregnancy,
	<ul> <li>Pregnancy and Childbirth</li> </ul>	fertility, loss and parenthood.
	☐ Fertility and Loss	

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		7	Health and Well Being	Healthy Lives  Personal Safety  Puberty Smoking The Eatwell Guide Dental Health	Focusing on staying both physically and mentally well, during a period of significant change in young people's lives, including conversations on puberty, personal hygiene, developing healthy habits and awareness of personal safety.
	Mid-	8	Life in the Wider World	Introducing Digital Literacy  Causes of Cybercrime (#1)  Effects of Cybercrime (#2)  Exploring Social Media  Spotting Fake News  The Reality of Life Online	Examining the realities of living in a digital age and the importance of being technologically literate; sessions will explore life online, including age restrictions and accessibility, social media use, news and media outlets, and security online.
DAY 1	November	9	Health and Well Being	Choices and Influences  ☐ Understanding the Law ☐ Gang Culture ☐ No Knives, Better Lives ☐ Being Assertive ☐ Drugs: The Law and Managing Risk	Examining the choices and influences of young people that may impact their physical and mental wellbeing; sessions will explore gang culture, carrying weapons, types of behaviour and the implications of drugs and alcohol.
		10	Personal and Social Relationships	21st Century Relationship Realities  Consent Continued  Pornography Relationship Abuse Sharing Sexual Images Understanding Sex and Gender	Exploring and revisiting the realities of romantic and sexual relationships for young people today; sessions will include societal concepts of sex and gender, consent, coercion and exploitation, conducting relationships online, pornography.

		11	Preparing for the Future (inc.Sixth Form tasters)	Post-16 Pathways  Unifrog Careers Research Sixth Form TASTERS (x3) Non-Academic Pathways Setting SMART goals	Focusing on students' imminent <b>post-16 pathways</b> choices, there will be the opportunity to select and attend <b>taster sessions</b> in various Sixth Form subjects, as well as time for <b>SMART goal setting, study skills</b> and <b>college and apprenticeships pathways.</b>
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		7	Preparing for the Future	Developing Skills and Aspirations (+Unifrog)  Careers Library Treasure Hunt  What are skills?  Recording activities  Interest profile  The dream job  Study Skills	Working on developing students' personal goals and academic targets, with identification of needs and wants, skills and attributes, early career aspirations and positive, productive study skills.
Term 2	January- March	8	Personal and Social Relationships	Building Identity and Relationships  British Values Gender and Sexual Identities ImWithSam- Learning diversity Influencer Marketing Understanding Autism Loss and Bereavement	Exploring young people's personal identities and interpersonal relationships, with session content including students' sense of identity, self-confidence and influences, awareness of learning disabilities and the variety of gender identity and sexual orientation.
		<b>9</b> (x5)	Life in the Wider World	Employability and Managing Money  Money Personalities  Online Reputation The Future of Work Value for Money Your Financial Journey	Revisiting the employment market and student awareness of budgeting and financial management; sessions cover spending and personality types, getting value for money, bank accounts and transactions, positive personal image and considering the world of work.
		10	Life in the Wider World	Addressing Extremism  L1- Valuing Diversity	Examining life in an increasingly globalised and politicised world, including addressing diversity,

		<ul> <li>L2- Understanding and Preventing Extremism</li> </ul>	extremism and radicalisation, as well as understanding the politics and bias of the media,
		☐ L3- Radicalisation	and challenging inequality and discrimination.
		☐ Black Lives Matter- Red Cross	
		<ul><li>NewsWise- Media Bias</li></ul>	
		<ul><li>Serious and Organised Crime</li></ul>	
	Health and	Managing Life in Exam Season	
	Well Being	<ul><li>Revision strategies</li></ul>	Exploring the challenges of life during exam season;
44	(inc. exam	<ul><li>Lifestyles and wellbeing</li></ul>	sessions focusing on managing stress, revision
11	prep/revisio	<ul> <li>Influences on lifestyle decisions</li> </ul>	strategies, benefits of healthy eating and exercise, work-life balance and opportunities for subject
	n strategy)	☐ Goals and Growth	specific revision workshops.
		☐ Revision workshops	Specific revision tronconops.

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Drop Down DAY 2	Late January	7 Lif	ife in the Vider World ife in the Vider World	Diversity and Justice  Introduction to Human Rights  Balancing Human Rights  Purpose of Charity  Charity Planning Prejudice and Discrimination  Exploring our Experiences  FGM The Belonging Toolkit	Identifying and evaluating core values in young people's lives to ensure everyone can co-exist fairly and equally within society; sessions will explore prejudice and discrimination, action and charity groups, human rights and diversity.  Discovering the realities of students' own and alternative lived experiences, encouraging insight
DAY 2 Ja	January	8 Pr	reparing for	☐ Changing Faces ☐ The Adoptables ☐ Transphobia: Anne Frank Trust	and empathy for different identity, sense, cultural, socio-economic and other life experiences.  Focusing on students' forthcoming GCSE/KS4
		9 (in op	he Future Inc. GCSE ptions asters)	Preparing for GCSEs and Beyond  ☐ Taster sessions x3  ☐ GCSE: Choices, choices  ☐ Developing KS4 Learning Skills	options choices, there will be the opportunity to select and attend taster sessions in various subjects, as well as time for goal setting, study skills and future pathways discussions.

	Health and	Fostering Independence	
	Well Being	☐ Breast Cancer Awareness	Encouraging students to take an active and
10		<ul> <li>Testicular Cancer Awareness</li> </ul>	independent role in their own well-being and health
10		<ul> <li>Organ and Blood Donation</li> </ul>	decisions, introducing self-examination, health risks, vaccinations, cosmetic alterations and blood,
		□ Vaccinations	organ and stem cell donation.
		☐ Pressure for Perfection	organi una stem cen acmaticin
	Personal and	Communicating Your Needs	
	Social		Identifying and evaluating the need for
4.4	Relationships	<ul> <li>My Values in Relationships</li> </ul>	communication in various types of relationships,
11		☐ Solving Problems	including intimate and sexual relationships, warning signs of unhealthy relationships, as well as assessing
		☐ Stress Management	other needs as a young adult.
		<ul> <li>Unhealthy Relationships</li> </ul>	3

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		7	Personal and Social Relationships	Moving Friendships Forward  Coercive Friendships  Bullying Forgiveness Importance of Kindness Developing Independence Reflections of Year 7	Revisiting some of the personal and social aspects of life as a Year 7 student first introduced in September, focusing on reflections on the first year, student self-worth, maintaining positive and healthy relationships with peers, including identifying and avoiding bullying.
Term 3	April- July	8	Preparing for the Future	Employment and Earnings  Enterprise Adventures  Work and Money  Changing Payments  Budgeting  Careers Research  End of Year Review	Investigating the employment market from the perspective of under 16s, with part-time work and volunteering as a minor; students will also revisit their relevant skills and attributes, explore pocket money, budgeting, and possible careers research.
		9	Health and Well Being	Healthy Mind, Healthy Body  First Aid- Red Cross	Identifying and engaging with how to keep a balance of good physical and mental health, including exploration of mental health triggers, assessing

		☐ Physical and Mental Wellbeing	support and treatment, the importance of sleep, as
		☐ Teenage Cancer Trust	well as focus on first aid, cancer and keeping
		☐ The Sleep Factor	physically well.
		☐ Equal Health Opportunities	
		☐ End of Year Review	
	Preparing for	Life Online and Digital Literacy	Considering the way that young people's lives have
	the Future	☐ Fact Vs. Fiction	been shaped and influenced by the living in the
10		☐ Three Sides to the Story	internet age; sessions will explore <b>social media</b> ,
(x5)		☐ Us Vs. Them	personal and professional reputation, assessing
		☐ Speaking Up, Speaking Out	bias, reliability and accuracy, self-worth and
		☐ Becoming an Internet Citizen	resilience.
	REVISION		
11	and Exam	☐ End of Year Review	
	Prep		
11	Study Leave		

# Timanyane Day

The final drop-down day in July hosts PHGS's global citizenship focus, with a wide range of PSHE and Citizenship themes addressed by speakers, workshops and activities that differs each year.