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PSHE - JIGSAW



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.

The Government's PSHE education review (March 2013) stated that the subject would remain non-statutory and that no new programmes of study would be published. The DfE specified as part of its National Curriculum guidance that "All schools should make provision for personal, social, health and economic education (PSHE), drawing upon good practice."

Our Aims

At Dhekelia Primary School we aim to promote pupil's personal, social, spiritual and health education, as well as their emotional development and well-being. This enables them to learn life skills to assist their personal, spiritual and physical growth.

We explore the changes that everyone undergoes to deal with today's society and give pupils an understanding of the rights and responsibilities that are part of being an outstanding citizen.

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Curriculum - Jigsaw

At Dhekelia Primary School, we use the Jigsaw PSHE scheme of work from EYFS through to Year 6 as the basis of our curriculum. Jigsaw brings together PSHE education, emotional literacy, social skills and spiritual development in a comprehensive scheme of learning.

There are 6 Puzzles in Jigsaw that are designed to progress in sequence from September to July. Each Puzzle has six Pieces (lessons) which work towards an 'end product', for example The School Learning Charter. Each Piece has two Learning Intentions, one is based on specific PSHE learning (covering the non-statutory national framework for PSHE Education but enhanced to address children's needs today) and one is based on emotional literacy and social skills (covering the SEAL learning intentions but also enhanced). The enhancements mean that Jigsaw is relevant to children living in today's world as it helps them understand and be equipped to cope with issues such as body image, cyber and homophobic bullying and internet safety. Every Piece (lesson) contributes to at least one of these aspects of children's development.

The Learning Environment

Establishing a safe, open and positive environment 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 - by using 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)

Differentiation

Jigsaw is written as a universal core curriculum provision for all children. Teachers will need, as always, to tailor each Piece to meet the needs of the children in their classes. To support this differentiation, many Jigsaw Pieces 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.

Monitoring and evaluation

The PSHE co-ordinator will monitor delivery of the programme through observation, learning walks and discussion with teaching staff to ensure consistent and coherent curriculum provision.

Evaluation of the programme's effectiveness will be conducted on the basis of:

- Pupil Voice and teacher evaluation
- Staff meetings to review and share experience