

# Toddington St. George C of E School PSHE Policy

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### Statement of intent

Toddington ST. George C of E School believes that a strong PSHE education is important to help our pupils develop into well-rounded members of society, who can make a positive contribution to their community.

The vision for pupils, staff and other members of the school community is to always look to achieve our personal best in every aspect of school life.

# 1. Legal framework

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

- Education Act 1996
- Education Act 2002
- Children and Social Work Act 2017
- DfE (2019) 'Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) and Health Education'
- DfE (2022) 'Keeping children safe in education 2022' (KCSIE)

This policy operates in conjunction with the following school policies:

- Primary Relationships and Health Education Policy
- Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy
- Complaints Procedures Policy

# 2. Roles and responsibilities

The governing board is responsible for:

- Ensuring the school's PSHE Policy is implemented effectively.
- Ensuring that the PSHE Policy, as written, does not discriminate on any grounds or protected characteristics.

The headteacher is responsible for:

- Reviewing the PSHE Policy annually.
- Handling complaints regarding this policy, as outlined in the school's Complaints Procedures Policy.
- Facilitating the day-to-day implementation and management of the PSHE Policy.

The PSHE coordinator is responsible for:

• Liaising with other staff and professional agencies to devise a suitable scheme of work ensuring comprehensive PSHE education.

### 3. Aims and structure of the PSHE curriculum

# Whole-school approach

Jigsaw covers all areas of PSHE for the primary phase including statutory Relationships and Health Education. The table below gives the learning theme of each of the six Puzzles (units) and these are taught across the school; the learning deepens and broadens every year.

Term	Puzzle (Unit)	Content
Autumn 1:	Being Me in My World	Includes understanding my own identity and how I fit well in the class, school and global community. Jigsaw Charter established.
Autumn 2:	Celebrating Difference	Includes anti-bullying (cyber and homophobic bullying included) and understanding
Spring 1:	Dreams and Goals	Includes goal-setting, aspirations, who do I want to become and what would I like to do for work and to contribute to society
Spring 2:	Healthy Me	Includes drugs and alcohol education, self-esteem and confidence as well as healthy lifestyle choices, sleep, nutrition, rest and exercise

Summer 1:	Relationships	Includes understanding friendship, family and other relationships, conflict resolution and communication skills, bereavement and loss
Summer 2:	Changing Me	Includes Relationships and Sex Education in the context of coping positively with change

We allocate 1 hour to PSHE each week in order to teach the PSHE knowledge and skills in a developmental and age-appropriate way.

These explicit lessons are reinforced and enhanced in many ways:

Assemblies and collective worship, praise and reward system, Learning Charter, through relationships child to child, adult to child and adult to adult across the school. We aim to 'live' what is learnt and apply it to everyday situations in the school community.

Class teachers or a specialist High Level Teaching Assistant deliver the weekly lessons.

# **Relationships Education**

### What does the DfE statutory guidance on Relationships Education expect children to know by the time they leave primary school?

Relationships Education in primary schools will cover 'Families and people who care for me', 'Caring friendships', 'Respectful relationships', 'Online relationships', and 'Being safe'.

The expected outcomes for each of these elements can be found further on in this policy. The way the Jigsaw Programme covers these is explained in the mapping document: Jigsaw 3-11 and Statutory Relationships and Health Education.

It is important to explain that whilst the Relationships Puzzle (unit) in Jigsaw covers most of the statutory Relationships Education, some of the outcomes are also taught elsewhere in Jigsaw e.g. the Celebrating Difference Puzzle helps children appreciate that there are many types of family composition and that each is important to the children involved. This holistic approach ensures the learning is reinforced through the year and across the curriculum.

Parents should also be aware that the Church of England states in "Valuing All God's Children", 2019, that Relationships and Sex education should: "Make it clear that relationships and sex education is designed to prepare all pupils for the future, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity. RSE must promote gender equality and LGBT equality and it must challenge discrimination. RSE

must take the needs and experiences of LGBT people into account and it should seek to develop understanding that there are a variety of relationships and family patterns in the modern world." (Page 34)

### **Health Education**

### What does the DfE statutory guidance on Health Education expect children to know by the time they leave primary school?

Health Education in primary schools will cover 'Mental wellbeing', 'Internet safety and harms', Physical health and fitness', Health eating', 'Drugs, alcohol and tobacco', 'Health and prevention', 'Basic First Aid', 'Changing adolescent body'.

The expected outcomes for each of these elements can be found further on in this policy. The way the Jigsaw Programme covers these is explained in the mapping document: Jigsaw 3-11 and Statutory Relationships and Health Education.

It is important to explain that whilst the Healthy Me Puzzle (unit) in Jigsaw covers most of the statutory Health Education, some of the outcomes are taught elsewhere in Jigsaw e.g. emotional and mental health is nurtured every lesson through the Calm me time, social skills are grown every lesson through the Connect us activity and respect is enhanced through the use of the Jigsaw Charter.

Also, teaching children about puberty is now a statutory requirement which sits within the Health Education part of the DfE guidance within the 'Changing adolescent body' strand, and in Jigsaw this is taught as part of the Changing Me Puzzle (unit).

Again, the mapping document transparently shows how the Jigsaw whole-school approach spirals the learning and meets all statutory requirements and more.

### **Sex Education**

The DfE Guidance 2019 (p.23) recommends that all primary schools 'have a sex education programme tailored to the age and the physical and emotional maturity of the pupils.

However, 'Sex Education is not compulsory in primary schools'. (p. 23)

Schools are to determine the content of sex education at primary school. Sex education 'should ensure that both boys and girls are prepared for the changes that adolescence brings and – drawing on knowledge of the human life cycle set out in the national curriculum for science - how a baby is conceived and born'.

At Toddington St George C of E School, we believe children should understand the facts about human reproduction before they leave lower school so we teach how a baby is made in our lower key stage classes. We define Sex Education as understanding human reproduction. We intend to teach this through the Jigsaw curriculum as outlined above.

### Parents' right to request their child be excused from Sex Education

"Parents have the right to request that their child be withdrawn from some or all of sex education delivered as part of statutory Relationships and Sex Education" DfE Guidance p.17

At Toddington St George C of E School, puberty is taught as a statutory requirement of Health Education and covered by our Jigsaw PSHE Programme in the 'Changing Me' Puzzle (unit). We conclude that sex education refers to Human Reproduction, and therefore inform parents of their right to request their child be withdrawn from the PSHE lessons that explicitly teach this i.e. the Jigsaw Changing Me Puzzle (unit) Year 3, lesson 4 and Year 4, Lesson 2 (Making a baby).

The school will inform parents of this right by curriculum parent letter during Spring Term 2 before the Changing Me Puzzle is taught in Summer Term 2.

### Monitoring and Review

The Curriculum Committee of the governing body monitors this policy on an annual basis. This committee reports its findings and recommendations to the full governing body, as necessary, if the policy needs modification. The Curriculum Committee gives serious consideration to any comments from parents about the PSHE (RSHE) programme, and makes a record of all such comments. Governors scrutinise and ratify teaching materials to check they are in accordance with the school's ethos.

### Equality: This policy will inform the school's Equalities Plan.

The DfE Guidance 2019 (p. 15) states, "Schools should ensure that the needs of all pupils are appropriately met, and that all pupils understand the importance of equality and respect. Schools must ensure they comply with the relevant provisions of the Equality Act 2010 under which sexual orientation and gender reassignment are amongst the protected characteristics...

At the point at which schools consider it appropriate to teach their pupils about LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender), they should ensure this content is fully integrated into their programmes of study for this area of the curriculum rather than delivered as a stand-alone unit or lesson. Schools are free to determine how they do this, and we expect all pupils to have been taught LGBT content at a timely point as part of this area of the curriculum".

This can also have an impact on any anti-bullying policies in regard to these characteristics being the reason for the issue. The Church of England document "Valuing all God's Children", 2019, states:

"Schools should ensure that they have clear anti-bullying policies on preventing and tackling homophobic, biphobic and transphobic behaviour and language and that these policies are known and understood by all members of the school community. School leaders should present a clear message that HBT bullying will not be tolerated and that there can be no justification for this negative behaviour based on the Christian faith or the Bible. Schools should ensure that pupils understand how to report incidents. Pupils should be confident that if they report bullying it will be taken seriously."

### It also asserts:

"Central to Christian theology is the truth that every single one of us is made in the image of God. Every one of us is loved unconditionally by God. We must avoid, at all costs, diminishing the dignity of any individual to a stereotype or a problem. Church of England schools offer a community where everyone is a person known and loved by God, supported to know their intrinsic value" (page 1)

"Opportunities to discuss issues to do with self-esteem, identity and bullying, including HBT (homophobic, biphobic and transphobic) bullying, should be included in physical, social, health and economic education or citizenship programmes. The curriculum should offer opportunities for pupils to learn to value themselves and their bodies. Relationships and sex education should take LGBT people into account." (Page 6)

At Toddington St George C of E School we promote respect for all and value every individual child.

We also respect the right of our children, their families and our staff, to hold beliefs, religious or otherwise, and understand that sometimes these may be in tension with our approach to some aspects of Relationships, Health and Sex Education.

For further explanation as to how we approach LGBT relationships in the PSHE (RSHE) Programme please see: 'Including and valuing all children. What does Jigsaw teach about LGBTQ relationships?'

Jigsaw PSHE documents needed to explain this policy:

- Jigsaw 3-11 and statutory Relationships and Health Education (mapping document see below)
- Including and valuing all children. What does Jigsaw teach about LGBTQ relationships? <u>click here</u>
- How does Jigsaw PSHE support the Church of England Principles and Charter in relation to RSHE? click here

The school will use direct teaching via timetabled lessons to teach PSHE. Pupils will be taught PSHE through a range of teaching and learning styles, including active techniques such as discussion and group work. Pupils' opinions and questions, unless inappropriate, will be responded to respectfully by teachers.

PSHE lessons will be tailored to the pupils being taught, with consideration of:

- Pupils' ability.
- Pupils' age.
- Pupils' current knowledge on and readiness to learn about the topic being covered.
- Pupils' cultural backgrounds.
- Pupils with EAL.
- Pupils with SEND or other needs.

To aid PSHE tailoring, the PSHE teacher will use discussions and other activities to ascertain pupils' current knowledge and understanding of the subject being covered. The teaching programme will then be adjusted to reflect the composition of the class.

The school will deliver relationships and health education as part of its timetabled PSHE programme, with due regard to the school's Primary Relationships and Health Education Policy.

# 4. Safeguarding

Due to the nature of the matters discussed in PSHE, there may be a higher likelihood for safeguarding concerns to arise or be disclosed by pupils. In line with the school's Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy, all staff will be aware of the indicators and risks of a range of safeguarding issues, including child-on-child abuse, and will follow the appropriate procedures should a safeguarding concern be disclosed.

There is an element of PSHE in pastoral care, so the school will ensure that PSHE and pastoral care teams work together to help pupils feel comfortable indicating that they may be vulnerable and at risk.

PSHE lessons will encourage pupils to discuss the issues raised in the lesson with a member of staff if they wish to do so. Pupils will also be made aware of how to raise concerns or make reports about potential safeguarding issues, and how reports will be handled. This also includes concerns and reports about a friend or peer.

Where beneficial, the DSL or deputy DSL will be involved in the development of safeguarding-related elements of the PSHE curriculum

# 5. Programme of study

The PSHE programme of study will cover the following topics:

### Health and wellbeing This topic will cover:

- Healthy lifestyles and physical wellbeing.
- Mental health.
- Ourselves, growing and changing.
- Keeping safe.
- Drugs, alcohol and tobacco.

## **Relationships** This topic will cover:

- Families and close positive relationships.
- Friendships.
- · Managing hurtful behaviour and bullying.
- Safe relationships.
- Respecting self and others.

# Living in the wider world This topic will cover:

- Shared responsibilities.
- Communities.

- Media literacy and digital resilience.
- Economic wellbeing and money.
- Aspirations, work and careers.

### 6. Assessment

The school will set the same high expectations of the quality of pupils' work in PSHE as for other areas of the curriculum. A strong PSHE curriculum will be developed to build on knowledge pupils have previously acquired, including from other subjects, with regular feedback on their progress.

Lessons will be planned to ensure pupils of differing abilities are suitably challenged. Teaching will be assessed to identify where pupils need extra support or intervention.

Pupils' knowledge and understanding will be assessed through formative assessment methods such as tests, written assignments, discussion groups and quizzes in order to monitor progress.

# 7. Monitoring and review

This policy will be reviewed by the headteacher and PSHE coordinator on an annual basis. Any changes to this policy will be communicated to all staff and other relevant parties.

The next scheduled review date for this policy is September 2023.

# Relationships Education in Primary schools – DfE Guidance 2019

The focus in primary school should be on teaching the fundamental building blocks and characteristics of positive relationships, with particular reference to friendships, family relationships, and relationships with other children and with adults. The references R3/H5 etc can be cross-referenced on the Jigsaw mapping documents and Puzzle Maps to show which lessons throughout Jigsaw contribute to which statutory outcomes. All statutory outcomes are covered in the Jigsaw 3-11 Programme.

The guidance states that, by the end of primary school:

	Pupils should know	How Jigsaw provides the solution
Families and people who care for me	<ul> <li>R1 that families are important for children growing up because they can give love, security and stability.</li> <li>R2 the characteristics of healthy family life, commitment to each other, including in times of difficulty, protection and care for children and other family members, the importance of spending time together and sharing each other's lives.</li> <li>R3 that others' families, either in school or in the wider world, sometimes look different from their family, but that they should respect those differences and know that other children's families are also characterised by love and care.</li> <li>R4 that stable, caring relationships, which may be of different types, are at the heart of happy families, and are important for children's security as they grow up.</li> <li>R5 that marriage represents a formal and legally recognised commitment of two people to each other which is intended to be lifelong (Marriage in England and Wales is available to both opposite sex and same sex couples. The Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act 2013 extended marriage to same sex couples in England and Wales. The ceremony through which a couple get married may be civil or religious).</li> <li>R6 how to recognise if family relationships are making them feel unhappy or unsafe, and how to seek help or advice from others if needed</li> </ul>	All of these aspects are covered in lessons within the Puzzles  Relationships Changing Me Celebrating Difference Being Me in My World
Caring friendships	<ul> <li>R7 how important friendships are in making us feel happy and secure, and how people choose and make friends</li> <li>R8 the characteristics of friendships, including mutual respect, truthfulness, trustworthiness, loyalty, kindness, generosity, trust, sharing interests and experiences and support with problems and difficulties</li> <li>R9 that healthy friendships are positive and welcoming towards others and do not make others feel lonely or excluded</li> <li>R10 that most friendships have ups and downs, and that these can often be worked through so that the friendship is repaired or even strengthened, and that resorting to violence is never right</li> </ul>	

	R11 how to recognise who to trust and who not to trust, how to judge when a friendship is making them feel unhappy or uncomfortable, managing conflict, how to manage these situations and how to seek help and advice from others, if needed	
Respectful relationships	<ul> <li>R12 the importance of respecting others, even when they are very different from them (for example, physically, in character, personality or backgrounds), or make different choices or have different preferences or beliefs</li> <li>R13 practical steps they can take in a range of different contexts to improve or support respectful relationships</li> <li>R14 the conventions of courtesy and manners</li> <li>R15 the importance of self-respect and how this links to their own happiness</li> <li>R16 that in school and in wider society they can expect to be treated with respect by others, and that in turn they should show due respect to others, including those in positions of authority</li> <li>R17 about different types of bullying (including cyberbullying), the impact of bullying, responsibilities of bystanders (primarily reporting bullying to an adult) and how to get help</li> <li>R18 what a stereotype is, and how stereotypes can be unfair, negative or destructive</li> <li>R19 the importance of permission-seeking and giving in relationships with friends, peers and adults</li> </ul>	
Online relationships	<ul> <li>R20 that people sometimes behave differently online, including by pretending to be someone they are not.</li> <li>R21 that the same principles apply to online relationships as to face-to-face relationships, including the importance of respect for others online including when we are anonymous.</li> <li>R22 the rules and principles for keeping safe online, how to recognise risks, harmful content and contact, and how to report them.</li> <li>R23 how to critically consider their online friendships and sources of information including awareness of the risks associated with people they have never met.</li> </ul>	All of these aspects are covered in lessons within the Puzzles  Relationships Changing Me Celebrating Difference

	R24 how information and data is shared and used online.	
Being safe	<ul> <li>R25 what sorts of boundaries are appropriate in friendships with peers and others (including in a digital context).</li> <li>R26 about the concept of privacy and the implications of it for both children and adults; including that it is not always right to keep secrets if they relate to being safe.</li> </ul>	All of these aspects are covered in lessons within the Puzzles
	<ul> <li>R27 that each person's body belongs to them, and the differences between appropriate and inappropriate or unsafe physical, and other, contact.</li> <li>R28 how to respond safely and appropriately to adults they may encounter (in all contexts, including online) whom they do not know.</li> <li>R29 how to recognise and report feelings of being unsafe or feeling bad about any adult.</li> <li>R30 how to ask for advice or help for themselves or others, and to keep trying until they are heard,</li> <li>R31 how to report concerns or abuse, and the vocabulary and confidence needed to do so.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Relationships</li> <li>Changing Me</li> <li>Celebrating Difference</li> </ul>
	R32 where to get advice e.g. family, school and/or other sources.	

# Physical health and mental well-being education in Primary schools – DfE Guidance

The focus in primary school should be on teaching the characteristics of good physical health and mental wellbeing. Teachers should be clear that mental well-being is a normal part of daily life, in the same way as physical health.

By the end of primary school:

Pupils should know	How Jigsaw provides the
	solution

### Mental • H1 that mental wellbeing is a normal part of daily life, in the same way as All of these aspects are wellbeing covered in lessons within the physical health. • H2 that there is a normal range of emotions (e.g. happiness, sadness, anger, **Puzzles** fear, surprise, nervousness) and scale of emotions that all humans experience in relation to different experiences and situations. H3 how to recognise and talk about their emotions, including having a Healthy Me varied vocabulary of words to use when talking about their own and others' Relationships feelings. Changing Me H4 how to judge whether what they are feeling and how they are behaving. Celebrating is appropriate and proportionate. Difference • H5 the benefits of physical exercise, time outdoors, community participation, voluntary and service-based activity on mental well-being and happiness. H6 simple self-care techniques, including the importance of rest, time spent with friends and family and the benefits of hobbies and interests. H7 isolation and loneliness can affect children and that it is very important for children to discuss their feelings with an adult and seek support. H8 that bullying (including cyberbullying) has a negative and often lasting impact on mental well-being. • H9 where and how to seek support (including recognising the triggers for seeking support), including whom in school they should speak to if they are worried about their own or someone else's mental well-being or ability to control their emotions (including issues arising online). H10 it is common for people to experience mental ill health. For many people who do, the problems can be resolved if the right support is made available, especially if accessed early enough. Internet safety • H11 that for most people the internet is an integral part of life and has many All of these aspects are and harms benefits. covered in lessons within the H12 about the benefits of rationing time spent online, the risks of excessive **Puzzles** time spent on electronic devices and the impact of positive and negative content online on their own and others' mental and physical wellbeing. H13 how to consider the effect of their online actions on others and know Relationships how to recognise and display respectful behaviour online and the Healthy Me importance of keeping personal information private.

	<ul> <li>H14 why social media, some computer games and online gaming, for example, are age restricted.</li> <li>H15 that the internet can also be a negative place where online abuse, trolling, bullying and harassment can take place, which can have a negative impact on mental health.</li> <li>H16 how to be a discerning consumer of information online including understanding that information, including that from search engines, is ranked, selected and targeted.</li> <li>H17 where and how to report concerns and get support with issues online.</li> </ul>	
Physical health and fitness	<ul> <li>H18 the characteristics and mental and physical benefits of an active lifestyle.</li> <li>H19 the importance of building regular exercise into daily and weekly routines and how to achieve this; for example, walking or cycling to school, a daily active mile or other forms of regular, vigorous exercise.</li> <li>H20 the risks associated with an inactive lifestyle (including obesity).</li> <li>H21 how and when to seek support including which adults to speak to in school if they are worried about their health.</li> </ul>	All of these aspects are covered in lessons within the Puzzles  • Healthy Me
Healthy eating	<ul> <li>H22 what constitutes a healthy diet (including understanding calories and other nutritional content).</li> <li>H23 the principles of planning and preparing a range of healthy meals.</li> <li>H24 the characteristics of a poor diet and risks associated with unhealthy eating (including, for example, obesity and tooth decay) and other behaviours (e.g. the impact of alcohol on diet or health).</li> </ul>	All of these aspects are covered in lessons within the Puzzles  • Healthy Me
Drugs, alcohol and tobacco	H25 the facts about legal and illegal harmful substances and associated risks, including smoking, alcohol use and drug-taking	
Health and prevention	<ul> <li>H26 how to recognise early signs of physical illness, such as weight loss, or unexplained changes to the body.</li> <li>H27 about safe and unsafe exposure to the sun, and how to reduce the risk of sun damage, including skin cancer.</li> <li>H28 the importance of sufficient good quality sleep for good health and that a lack of sleep can affect weight, mood and ability to learn.</li> <li>H29 about dental health and the benefits of good oral hygiene and dental flossing, including regular check-ups at the dentist.</li> </ul>	All of these aspects are covered in lessons within the Puzzles  • Healthy Me

	<ul> <li>H30 about personal hygiene and germs including bacteria, viruses, how they are spread and treated, and the importance of handwashing.</li> <li>H31 the facts and science relating to immunisation and vaccination</li> </ul>	
Basic first aid	<ul> <li>H32 how to make a clear and efficient call to emergency services if necessary.</li> <li>H33 concepts of basic first-aid, for example dealing with common injuries, including head injuries.</li> </ul>	All of these aspects are covered in lessons within the Puzzles
		<ul> <li>Healthy Me</li> </ul>
Changing adolescent body	<ul> <li>H34 key facts about puberty and the changing adolescent body, particularly from age 9 through to age 11, including physical and emotional changes.</li> <li>H35 about menstrual wellbeing including the key facts about the menstrual cycle.</li> </ul>	All of these aspects are covered in lessons within the Puzzles
		<ul><li>Changing Me</li><li>Healthy Me</li></ul>