## Personal, Social, Health Education (PSHE) and Relationships and Sex Education (RSE)



## Parent Voice Feedback

Thank you to everyone who returned their Questionnaires. Here is the feedback and some quotes from you. If you would still like to return your questionnaire and have your voice heard, please do.

## Do you feel our JIGSAW curriculum meets your child's needs?

Most families said that the curriculum meets your child's needs.

Two families said that they didn't know and one said no.

#### What do we do well?

"Careful selection of topic for different ages"

"Curriculum design for each year is brilliant, based on the child's understanding respective of their age"

"Everything I noticed is good"

"My child is new to the school so I don't know yet"

# The Majority of families said RSE Policy has helped me to understand which topics will be covered in RSE/PSHE and how it will be taught

If after reading the policy you feel that you still do not understand. Please use the QR code below to access the progress document, outlining everything we teach from Nursery to Year 6 and how it build in an age appropriate way.

## What values do you feel good quality PSHE delivery should promote?

"You can promote anything that is good for children's health and also increase their knowledge."

"Self-respect, morals, good behaviour."

"I feel good that it is part of my child's education, which will support her grow."

"Enable them to become healthy and independent and responsible."

We are so pleased that you share the same views as we do on this. This is one of the reasons we chose the Jigsaw programme.

Everyone said that they have read the PSHE policy

Everyone said that they have read the PSHE/RSE summer term letter

Everyone said that they knew they could opt out of the non-compulsory lessons classed as 'Sex Education- conception and birth'

Some families were not aware that PSHE/RSE was compulsory. If you are also unaware and have not yet read the PSHE/RSE Policy or the letter, then please do via the QR code below.

The Majority of families agreed that PSHE/RSE is an important part of their child's education.

The majority of families agree with the coverage of topics. One new to school family said they didn't know yet.

If you don't know and would like more information, please visit our website or use the QR code below.

## As a parent do you feel confident in discussion sensitive topic at home?

More than half of you said that you felt confident in discussion sensitive topics with your children at home.

Some of you said you were unsure and some of you said that you did not feel confident.

Please see attached information below with some useful tips for parents. We know it can feel worrying to approach staff members for help with some sensitive topics, but please be reassured that are always happy to support you with anything and we are likely to have supported with similar issues before.

#### What could we do better?

"I don't think you could do anything better"

"Everything is good only positively towards my child"

Some families feel that we "should be teaching abstinence until marriage".
Please see the attached information below to further enhance our reasoning behind choosing the Jigsaw PSHE programme and why we, as a school, feel including Sex Education- Conception and Birth, in KS2 is important.

#### Do you have any other comments?

"Giving the right information at the right age is most important. I just loved the lessons that are needed for the kids as they grow up."

A reception family commented "Sex education is not suitable for my child at the moment". We fully agree. If you haven't yet read the progression document, and are concerns around what is being taught to your child at each age, then please use the QR code below or go directly to our PSHE page in the curriculum section of the website.



We are truly grateful for your contribution to the questionnaire.

If you are reading this feedback and want to find out more, please visit our website or use this QR code to take you directly to the PSHE page on the website.

## Here are some useful extracts from our PSHE/RSE Policy

#### At Dovecote

We aim to teach pupils to stay safe and healthy, and build self-esteem, resilience and empathy. We want our children to value diversity and respect differences between themselves and others. We want our children to choose to lead healthy life-styles and be equipped to make these decisions. We have chosen to follow the PSHE Jigsaw programme as it is well-planned, evidence based and age appropriate. We are teaching our children to be prepared for life in modern Britain and become valuable citizens in the world. High quality PSHE delivery can tackle barriers to learning, raise aspirations and improve the life chances of our most Vulnerable and disadvantaged pupils.

'Effective Relationships and Sex Education can make a significant contribution to the development of the personal skills needed by pupils if they are to establish and maintain relationships. It also enables children and young people to make responsible and informed decisions about their health and well-being. This is why the DfE recommend:

"... that all primary schools should have a sex education programme tailored to the age and the physical and emotional maturity of the pupils. It 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." (Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education, and Health Education, DfE, 2019, para 67).

You have the right to opt out of lessons around conception and birth. The teachers delivering PSHE lessons will never share their personal beliefs and we are unable to promote one view or belief as being right over another. Please be assure that the content of our curriculum is progressive and age appropriate.

'Schools have a statutory duty to provide Health Education. This includes primary aged children learning about the 'changing adolescent body'

The sex education contained in National Curriculum science (Key Stages 1–4) is compulsory in maintained schools.

- 'All children, including those who develop earlier than average, need to know about puberty before they experience the onset of physical changes' (1.13)
- Children should learn 'how a baby is conceived and born' before they leave primary school (1.16)

You are not able to opt out of science lessons.

RSHE plays a very important part in fulfilling the statutory duties all schools have to meet. RSHE helps children understand the difference between safe and abusive relationships and equips them with the skills to get help if they need it. It also teaches them about the importance of a healthy lifestyle and positive mental health, about online and off line safety. Schools have responsibilities for safeguarding and a legal duty to promote pupil well-being (Education and Inspections Act 2006 Section 38).

\*If you have any concerns and want to see specific resources used in Jigsaw lessons, we can create you a temporary parent log in that is active for the duration of the half term's theme. Please speak to your class teacher if this is something you require\*

### Support for families talking to children about difficult topics



https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/talking-about-difficult-topics/

Click QR code to take you directly to the website