YEAR 8 CURRICULUM PLAN FOR PSHCE



TOPIC	KEY LEARNING	ASSESSMENT
Emotional Well- Being and Physical Health	 Explore back to school challenges, support networks and aspirations and explore daily wellbeing, the importance of routines and things that can act as triggers. Review individuality and strengths and explore strategies to understand and build resilience, how to respond to disappointments and setbacks Understand attitudes towards body image and self-concept and their effect on mental health, about subjectivity, perception, appearance ideals and consider gender. Understand about appearance ideals and the role that media plays in influencing this and consider how to build media literacy Explore the characteristics of negative coping strategies including self-harm and disordered eating and how avoid triggers and 'how to' sites Explore a range of healthy coping strategies 	Formative Assessment: Baseline trackers Then and now I can statements Mind maps RAG statements Summative Assessment: Firefly Reflection Page
Staying Safe: Drugs and Alcohol	 Understand how to identify legal and illegal drugs, how to use prescription and over the counter medication and the importance of antibiotics Understand habit and dependence and the impact of caffeine Explore and know the short and long term risks of tobacco, including smoking Explore and know the short and long term risks of nicotine, including vaping Explore and know the short and long term risks of alcohol, including the law and the effects on young people Understand the governments guidance and the law in relation to alcohol 	Formative Assessment: Then and now I can statements Mind maps RAG statements Summative Assessment: Firefly Reflection Page
Staying Safe: Digital and Financial Literacy	 Know about the various types of online communication, how to socially network safely and about age restrictions when accessing media Explore how to distinguish between content which is publicly and privately shared, including strategies to safely manage personal information and images online Explore strategies to identify and reduce risk from people online that they do not already know; when and how to access help Critically assess media sources perspectives including knowledge of fake news, mis and disinformation, click bait and conspiracy Understand the benefits and positive use of media, including how it can offer opportunities to engage with a wide variety of views on different issues – discussions/ news/ advice (NHS etc.) Know how to recognise online grooming in relation to sexual or financial exploitation, extremism and radicalisation Explore the influence of advertising and peers on financial decisions, how to buy online securely. 	Formative Assessment: Baseline trackers Then and now I can statements RAG statements Mindmaps Summative Assessment: Firefly Reflection Page
Identity and Relationships	 Understand the qualities of healthy relationships including how to demonstrate positive behaviours such as trust, also exploring the behaviours that undermine this Develop active listening, exploring assertive clear communication, negotiation and compromise through debate and source work Understand management of strong feelings in relationships (including sexual attraction) and recognise sexual attraction and sexuality are diverse Further develop knowledge about gender identity and sexual orientation - the difference between biological sex, gender identity and sexual orientation, the accurate language and terminology and the unacceptability of prejudiced-based language on and offline Understand about the law relating to sexual consent, how to seek, give, not give and withdraw consent (in all contexts, including online) Introduce reasons for and examples of Child on child abuse, how to manage it, report it and access support 	Formative Assessment: Then and now I can statements RAG statements True or False Mindmaps Summative Assessment: Firefly Reflection Page
Citizenship: Discrimination	 Review key vocabulary about identity, rights, responsibilities, stereotyping, prejudice and discrimination and its impact Recognise and challenge cultural and racial stereotypes particularly around immigration Understand the manipulation of views from media bias including asylum seekers, immigration and refugee Understand how to manage influences on beliefs and decisions including group-think persuasion and familial views Understand the need to promote inclusion, how to challenge and avoid extreme viewpoints and discrimination, and how to do so safely, including online 	Formative Assessment: Then and now 'I can' statements How far do you agree? Mindmaps Summative Assessment: Firefly Reflection Page
Careers	 Understand and explore the links between success and motivation Explore what a good student and then good employee look like, including the link between key routines and skills at school and the work place Understand what is meant by employability in various forms Explore equality of opportunity in life and how this affects life choices Begin considering different types and patterns of work 	Formative Assessment: Then and now 'I can' statements Summative Assessment: Firefly Reflection Page