Curriculum Statement- Personal, Social and Health Education

At Queens Road Academy we aim to promote healthy, independent and responsible members of society. We encourage all our pupils to play a positive role in contributing to school life and the wider community through school councils, fundraising events, supporting nominated charities and involvement in community activities. Our pupils are given opportunities in PSHE lessons and assemblies to develop confidence, self-motivation and an understanding of their rights and responsibilities within our diverse society.

Our curriculum is organised into 6 themes, which link to an aspect of our PSHE curriculum. This enables us to provide a consistent wider approach inside and outside of the classroom. These themes are Health & Wellbeing, Relationships, Global Citizenship, British Citizenship, Responsible Citizenship and Futures. We teach PSHE in a variety of ways: as a discrete subject, via assemblies and through other subject, as well as through outdoor educational visit and community work.

Our PSHE curriculum is delivered in ways which strongly support our school values. We have a wide range of out of school visits which support the PSHE curriculum, including intergenerational visits, community groups and working with the local councillors. We use philosophy discussions and debates regularly, which promote communication and critical-thinking two of our key values.

In addition to our regular PSHE sessions, we also hold half-termly whole school events which link to our 6 key themes. For example, Health & Wellbeing Events and Cultural Diversity events. These are very well attended by our local community and families.

As a school we deliver Relationships and Sex Education, in line with the statutory guidance, using the PSHE association scheme of work.