

# The Leigh Academy

## PSHCRE Policy



### **Rationale**

The PSHCRE team aims to provide students with the knowledge, understanding, attitudes, values and skills they need in order to reach their potential as individuals and within the community.

Students are encouraged to take part in a wide range of activities and experiences across and beyond the curriculum, contributing fully to the life of their school and communities. In doing so they learn to recognise their own worth, work well with others and become increasingly responsible for their own learning.

They reflect on their experiences and understand how they are developing personally and socially, tackling many of the spiritual, moral, social and cultural issues that are part of growing up.

They learn to understand and respect our common humanity, diversity and differences so that they can go on to form the effective, fulfilling relationships that are an essential part of life and learning.

### **Citizenship aims to:**

- give students the knowledge, skills and understanding to play an effective role in society at local, national and international levels.
  - help students to become informed, thoughtful and responsible citizens who are aware of their duties and rights.
  - promote students' spiritual, moral, social and cultural development, making them more self confident and responsible both in and beyond the classroom.
  - encourage students to play a helpful part in the life of their schools, neighbourhoods, communities and the wider world.
  - teach students about our economy and democratic institutions and values:
  - encourage respect for different national, religious and ethnic identities: and develops students' ability to reflect on issues and take part in discussions
- Citizenship is taught through a variety of subjects in the curriculum
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### **Ethics and Philosophy aims:**

- Promoting personal respect for students' own world views and those of others
- Deepening understanding of their own and other people's beliefs and opinions
- Fostering an enquiring and open mind
- Encouraging the confidence to ask questions
- Developing the skills of listening, communication and empathy

Through a combination of cross-curricular and stand-alone lessons, The Academy hopes to prepare students for adult life.

To ensure that all aspects of the National Curriculum are covered, regular audits are carried out across Learning Areas. In addition, all year groups participate in PSHCRE sessions during PSHCRE weeks in the last week of Modules 1 to 4. These activities are designed and delivered by staff, outside agencies and other experts, such as First Aiders.

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