

The Schools rationale on the importance of PSHE

To embrace the challenges of creating a happy and successful adult life, pupils at Lingey House Primary School need knowledge that will enable them to make informed decisions about their wellbeing, health and relationships and to build their confidence in how they perceive and behave in response to different situations.

Our pupils can also put this knowledge into practice as they develop the capacity to make sound decisions when facing risks, challenges, and complex contexts. From making responsible decisions about alcohol to succeeding in their first job, PSHE education helps pupils to manage many of the most critical opportunities, challenges, and responsibilities they will face as they grow up.

Relationships Education and Health Education will be part of the taught curriculum within PSHE. This is an essential part of a child's education and contributes to their personal development. Sex Education is not statutory at primary but recommended by the DfE. We teach Sex Education as part of our Relationships Education within the planned PSHE curriculum

Legal Requirements Lingey House Primary School is required, by law:

- To comply with The Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education and Health Education (England) Regulations 2019, made under sections 34 and 35 of the Children and Social Work Act 2017, make Relationships Education compulsory for all pupils receiving primary education.
- To comply with the Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) and Health Education statutory guidance from the DfE (June 2019).
- To comply with the requirements to have an up-to-date Sex Education policy developed in consultation with pupils, parents and carers (Education Act 1996) and in line with the DfE statutory guidance on Relationships Education, RSE and Health Education (June 2019). To have due regard to the Equality Act (2010) which requires schools to prevent discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and foster good relation between different groups. The protected characteristics that apply to school age children are disability, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, pregnancy, and maternity. To fulfil statutory safeguarding duties and ensure any safeguarding issues arising from Sex Education teaching are identified and followed in accordance with the school safeguarding policy.

Right To Withdraw

At Lingey House Primary school we teach sex education as part of our relationships and PSHE curriculum. As sex education is not statutory at primary, we wish to state the right of parents and carers to withdraw their child from designated sex education lessons. We encourage parents/carers to make an appointment to come in and speak to the headteacher about any concerns they may have. Requests for withdrawal should be put in writing. The science curriculum also includes content on human development, including reproduction, which there is no right to withdraw from. Parents and carers do

not have the right to withdraw their child from PSHE, which includes statutory relationships education and health education (including the changing adolescent body/puberty). The science curriculum also includes content on human development, including reproduction, which there is no right to withdraw from.

Relationships Education

Statutory Relationships at Lingey House Primary School is taught through the PSHE curriculum and teaches pupils what they need to know by the end of year 6 as defined by the DfE guidance. How these topics are threaded through our PSHE curriculum is also defined on our website.

Relationships education gives pupils the information they need to help them develop healthy, nurturing relationships with other children and adults. It should enable them to know what a healthy relationship looks like, how to build and maintain happy, healthy relationships with others and recognise the importance of a range of relationships with friends, family, in school and in wider community in which they live. Relationships education also teaches pupils to recognise unhealthy behaviours, how to keep safe, identify potential dangers in their online and offline lives and how to report any concerns or abuse and where to access help when needed.

Sex Education

Sex Education at Lingey House Primary School is defined as any additional knowledge that is outside of the science curriculum.

Our science curriculum covering reproduction and life cycles is listed below:

Year	Science (Statutory)
KS1	 Identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense. Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults.
KS2	 Describe the differences in the life cycles of mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird. Describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals. Describe the changes as humans develop to old age. Explaining the meaning of terms like 'conception' and 'reproduction'

Parents do not have a right to withdraw children from the statutory elements of the science curriculum.

At Lingey House Primary School we will teach the following additional content as sex education lessons. We chose to do so as it supports the transition phase from primary to secondary school and, in addition, supports the pupils' ongoing emotional and physical development. Using age-appropriate materials, we will ensure that our Year 6 pupils are prepared for the changes that adolescence brings and – building upon the knowledge set out in the national curriculum for science.

This additional content will be taught only to Year 6 pupils and form part of their work in the summer term.

All additional content is taught with a 'knowledge' based approached making use of illustrations. No animated content will used to show the physical act of conception. The impact of our sex education (including elements of our relationships education) will enable our pupils to:

- Have a factual and age-appropriate understanding of how babies are made and born
- Understand that intimate and sexual relationships are a natural part of adult life
- Know who to talk to if they have further questions about sex and intimate relationships
- Be aware of and respect different types of relationships in accordance with the Equalities Act
- Know they will continue to learn about sex education in their secondary school
- Keep themselves safe online, recognising risks, harmful content, and online contact and be able to report any concerns at the earliest stage
- Know how to keep safe by recognising any inappropriate behaviour from others
- Report concerns or abuse and have the confidence, knowledge, and vocabulary to do so

Why We Teach Relationships Education

Relationships education became statutory from September 2020. The impact of high-quality relationships education will be in supporting pupils to:

- Form and maintain positive relationships with other children and adults
- Understand the importance of positive and healthy relationships on their wellbeing
- Recognise what makes a good friendship and how to be a good friend in return
- Strategies to manage the ups and downs of friendships and relationships with others
- Show respect for others and recognise diversity within relationships, treating each other with kindness, consideration and understanding
- Develop positive character traits and personal attributes such as selfrespect, kindness, honesty, integrity, and resilience
- Positively engage in social action and contribute to the wellbeing of others
- Understand the principles of positive relationships also apply online, how to keep safe and how to report concerns
- Understand the importance of recognising and establishing their own personal boundaries and privacy
- Understand and respect differences and combat all forms of bullying and discrimination
- Recognise unhealthy relationships, inappropriate behaviour and bullying and to report concerns or abuse and are taught the appropriate vocabulary to do so (including signposting to trusted online support services such as Childline)
- Ask a trusted adult rather than go online with regards to any concerns about relationship issues and avoid viewing any inappropriate material or entering into social media conversations that could cause them harm
- Recognise that intimate physical relationships are for adults

How We Teach Relationships Education Through PSHE Lessons

Lingey House Primary School uses the 1Decision scheme of work as a means of delivering statutory relationships education across the school. This is a whole school programme that ensures that the core themes are covered across the year. This enables us to fulfil the statutory requirements; it is taught through a blend of videos, techniques, and resources to approach the topics and enable pupils to understand key knowledge appropriate to their age and stage of learning. A range of skills will be developed in the process and enable all pupils to make informed decisions about personal, social, health and economic life choices.

Discrete PSHE lessons are taught weekly in all classes, by class teachers, across the school and we follow the curriculum map as described in this document. Not all of the PSHE lessons will have an element of relationships education, the full breakdown of how relationships education links through PSHE lessons can be found on our school website. In some cases, we may ask additional qualified experts to support the delivery of some aspects of the curriculum.

At Lingey House Primary School, we aim to be an inclusive school and offer equality of opportunity and diversity when needed to all groups of pupils within school. All children will be given the same opportunities to develop their personal and social skills. Children with special needs will be supported and encouraged to develop their understanding through differentiated teaching and planning with support from the SENCo. If any question, behaviour, or language arises that is concerning, this will be discussed with a DSL (Designated Safeguarding Lead) and appropriate action will be taken.

How We Teach Sex Education

Statutory elements of the science curriculum are taught within the science curriculum. The specific teaching on non-statutory elements of Sex Education at Lingey House Primary School is taught through the 1Decision scheme of work 'Conception'. This unit will only be taught to Year 6 children in the summer term and will be taught by the class teacher with an additional adult in the room which is recommended best practice. We may ask additional qualified experts, such as nurses, to support the delivery of some aspects of this scheme.

As our scheme of work extends beyond the content of the National Curriculum, parents will be contacted in writing via the Newsletter and Social Media pages and invited to discuss with the teacher if they have any concerns before the start of the Y6 sex educational programs; an opportunity to see the resources and scheme of work will be provided if required.

This policy will be shared with parents and carers through the school website.

If any question, behaviour, or language arises that is concerning, this will be discussed with a DSL (designated safeguarding lead) and appropriate action taken. We use the correct scientific names of all genitalia and sexual parts of the body, for example, vulva, vagina, penis and testicles. Introducing the scientific names of genitalia is recommended by the NSPCC, the PSHE Association and is recognised good practice, supporting the safeguarding of pupils. Ofsted provides full support for this approach (2013) and have raised concerns that some primary schools have, in the past, failed to teach this

vocabulary. As a barrier to safeguarding, this leaves children unable to describe abusive behaviours.

Pupils are encouraged to ask questions and raise issues in a respectful and appropriate manner. Some questions or issues raised may not be appropriately answered in whole class lessons and these will be followed up separately on an individual or group basis. A question box is available for pupils who do not feel confident to ask questions or wish to have a separate conversation with a member of staff. Given ease of access to the internet, children whose questions go unanswered may turn to inappropriate sources of information. We also respect that some questions are better addressed at home with parents/carers and the school will share information with parents/carers on an individual basis should the need arise.

What We Cover In Relationships Education

In our relationships teaching we will cover:

Families and	Pupils should	Where this is provided in the	Where this is provided in the
trusted	know:	1decision 5 – 8 portals:	1 decision 8 – 11 portals:
adults	 that families are 		
	important for		
	children growing up		
	because they can		
	give love, security,		
	and stability.		

- 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.
- 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 for them.
- 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.
- that marriage represents a formal and legally recognised commitment of two people to each other which is intended to be lifelong.
- how to recognise if family relationships are

Keeping/Staying Safe Module

- Keeping/Staying Safe Assessment
- Road Safety
- Leaning Out of Windows
 Staying Safe

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Relationships Module

Relationships Assessment
Touch

Being Responsible Module

Water Spillage

Feelings and Emotions Module

- Worry
- Grief

Computer Safety Module

Making Friends Online

Fire Safety Module

- Petty Arson
- Texting Whilst Driving

Keeping/Staying Safe Module

Cycle Safety

Growing and Changing Module

Growing and Changing Assessment Relationships (Appropriate Touch)

Being Responsible Module

Coming Home on Time

Feelings and Emotions Module

Anger

The Working World Module

- Chores at Home
- In-App Purchases

A World Without Judgement Module

- Inclusion and Acceptance
- British Values

Friendships	making them feel unhappy or unsafe, and how to seek help or advice from others if needed. Pupils should know: • how important friendships are in making us feel happy and secure, and how people choose and make friends. • the characteristics of friendships, including mutual respect, truthfulness, trustworthiness, loyalty, kindness, generosity, trust, sharing interests and experiences	Where this is provided in the 1decision 5 – 8 portals: Keeping/Staying Safe Module Staying Safe Keeping/Staying Healthy Module Medicine Relationships Module Bullying Friendship Body Language Touch Being Responsible Module Helping Someone in Need Stealing Feelings and Emotions Module Anger Jealousy Computer Safety Module	Where this is provided in the 1decision 8 – 11 portals: Keeping/Staying Safe Module Peer Pressure Water Safety Keeping/Staying Healthy Module Smoking Alcohol Growing and Changing Module Growing and Changing Module Growing and Changing Module Growing and Changing Module Looking Out for Others Feelings and Emotions Module Jealousy Computer Safety Module Online Bullying Making Friends Online A World Without Judgement Module Breaking Down Barriers
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making them feel unhappy or uncomfortable, managing conflict, how to manage these situations and how to seek help or advice from others, if needed. Respectful Pupils should Where this is provided in the Where this is provided in the relationships know: 1decision 5 – 8 portals: 1decision 8 – 11 portals: • the importance of respecting others, Keeping/Staying Safe Module even when they Keeping/Staying Safe Module Water Safety are very different Peer Pressure Staying Safe from them (for Growing and Changing Module example, physically, in Relationships (Appropriate Touch) Bullying character, Friendship Being Responsible Module personality or Body Language Stealing Looking Out for Others Touch backgrounds), or make different Being Responsible Module Feelings and Emotions Module choices or have Practice Makes Perfect Jealousy different Helping Someone in Need Water Spillage preferences or Computer Safety Module Stealing beliefs. Online Bullying practical steps Feelings and Emotions Module Image Sharing they can take in a Jealousy A World Without Judgement Module range of different Computer Safety Module Breaking Down Barriers contexts to improve Inclusion and Acceptance Computer Safety Assessment or support British Values Online Bullying respectful Image Sharing relationships. the conventions of courtesy and manners. • the importance of self-respect and how this links to their own happiness. 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.

permission seeking and giving in relationships with friends, peers and adults. Online relationships Pupils should know:	and giving in relationships with friends, peers and adults. Pupils should know: • that people sometimes behave differently online, including by pretending to be someone they are not. • 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. • the rules and principles for keeping safe online, how to recognise risks, harmful content	1 decision 5 – 8 portals: Computer Safety Module Online Bullying Image Sharing Making Friends Online	1 decision 8 – 11 portals: Computer Safety Module Online Bullying Image Sharing Making Friends Online
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online friendships and sources of information including awareness of the risks associated with people they have never met. how information and data is shared and used online. Being safe Pupils should Where this is provided in the Where this is provided in the 1decision 5 – 8 portals: know: 1decision 8 – 11 portals: what sorts of boundaries are Keeping/Staying Safe Module Keeping/Staying Safe Module appropriate in Keeping/Staying Safe Assessment Keeping/Staying Safe Assessment friendships with Staying Safe Peer Pressure Water Safety peers and others (including in a Relationships Assessment digital context). Bullying Alcohol about the concept ing and Changing Module of privacy and the Feelings and Emotions Module Growing and Changing Assessment implications of it for Feelings and Emotions Assessment Relationships (Appropriate Touch) both children and Jealousy Conception 4 x Relaxation vide appear in this mode adults: including Being Responsible Module that it is not always Computer Safety Module Looking Out for Others right to keep Online Bullying Feelings and Emotions Module secrets if they Image Sharing Making Friends Online relate to being Computer Safety Documentary Computer Safety Module safe. Online Bullying **Fire Safety Module** that each Image Sharing person's body Texting Whilst Driving Making Friends Online belongs to them, Conception is non-statutory and the differences content. between appropriate and inappropriate or unsafe physical, and other, contact. how to respond safely and appropriately to adults they may encounter (in all contexts, including online) whom they do not know. • how to recognise and report feelings of being unsafe or feeling bad about any adult.

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See 1 decision module overviews for coverage of Relationships Education for additional information.

Promoting Inclusion and Diversity through No Outsiders

At Lingey House, our PSHE curriculum outcomes will also be supported through the work of No Outsiders. We are proud to embed the *No Outsiders* programme, developed by Andrew Moffat, into our wider personal development offer to prepare our pupils for life in modern Britain.

The *No Outsiders* approach supports the delivery of the Equality Act 2010 by promoting understanding and acceptance of the nine protected characteristics. Through carefully chosen storybooks and structured discussions in lessons and assemblies, children explore themes such as race, religion, gender identity, age, disability, and family structure in an age-appropriate way. This work helps to foster empathy, challenge stereotypes, and build a strong school ethos where everyone is welcome.

In line with our school values and the PSHE Association's guidance, *No Outsiders* lessons are taught as part of our spiral PSHE curriculum and are revisited regularly across year groups. The approach aligns with our safeguarding and British Values teaching, particularly the promotion of mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs.

Our aims through the *No Outsiders* programme are to:

- Equip children with the language and confidence to talk about difference and diversity in a respectful and inclusive way.
- Create a safe space for dialogue, where pupils feel heard, valued, and able to challenge prejudice.
- Develop pupils' understanding of the Equality Act and their role as active, respectful citizens.
- Ensure that every child knows that they belong, and that there are no outsiders in our school.

This work is further supported through assemblies, whole-school celebrations of diversity, staff training, and regular parent engagement. As a result, our school culture actively promotes kindness, belonging, and social responsibility.

An overarching LTP of what this looks like over the year will be available on the school website and further to Andrew's training with staff, a parent workshop will also be available to attend.

<u>Assessment</u>

At Lingey House Primary School, teachers integrate effective AfL in all areas of the curriculum. In PSHE, this specifically involves:

- Planning learning which builds on children's prior knowledge and shows progression in PSHE
- Implementing assessment-based planning so that lessons consistently meet children's needs
- Using self and peer assessment to involve children in understanding their own learning and next steps
- Encouraging children to feed back to class teachers about which aspects of a value they would like to learn more
- Self-Reflection

Confidentiality and Safeguarding

Any personal disclosures made by pupils will be followed up in accordance with the school's child protection policy. Teachers will report any safeguarding concerns to the DLS and share concerns with parents/carers according to the school's safeguarding procedures.

Roles and Responsibilities

The Governing Body

The Governing Board will approve the Relationships and Sex Education and Health Education policy and hold the headteacher to account for its implementation.

The Headteacher / PSHE/RSE Lead

- Ensuring that PSHE is taught consistently across the school
- For managing requests with regards to the parental right to withdraw from non-statutory content, which will be recorded onto CPOMs and next class teachers will be informed moving forward
- Managing requests in regards to No Outsiders
- Curriculum content / overview is available on the school website

School Staff

- Delivering RSE & PSHE lessons in a sensitive way
- Informing Y6 parents when sex education lessons are being taught
- Modelling positive attitudes to RSE & PSHE
- Monitoring progress
- Responding to the needs of individual pupils
- Speaking to the PSHE Lead if they have any concerns about their ability to teach certain areas of the curriculum if they think their personal beliefs and attitudes will affect the key messages of the lesson
- Seeking professional development opportunities as required

Pupils

Pupils are expected to engage fully in PSHE and, when discussing issues related to PSHE, treat others with respect and sensitivity. Pupils are expected to follow the agreed 'ground rules' of a PSHE lesson which could include (but are not limited to) the following:

- We will listen to others and respect what people say (Article 13)
- We will not ask personal questions or put people 'on the spot'
- We will not make assumptions about other people, their experiences, or feelings (Article 2)
- We have the right to 'pass' if we do not wish to comment
- We will keep the conversation in the room (unless our teacher is concerned for our safety or wellbeing, when they may need to tell someone else to help us) (Article 16)
- We know we can ask for further information, help or advice during or after the lesson (Article 24)

Monitoring, Evaluation and Training

RSE will be monitored and evaluated by the Headteacher or PSHE lead, SLT and Governors in line with the monitoring cycle agreed by the school. The RSE policy will be reviewed annually.

To ensure staff are confident to deliver all aspects of the PSHE curriculum including sex education, access to online, in school, local and national training will be made available.

This policy will be reviewed every year. At each review, the policy will be approved by governors.

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