

CLIFFORD CHURCH OF ENGLAND
INFANT SCHOOL

POLICY STATEMENT FOR PSHE AND CITIZENSHIP

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"PSHE and Citizenship entails an awareness of how we look after ourselves, and how we relate to others". (Lord Norton, President of Politics Association)

Rationale

At Clifford School we believe that every child should be encouraged to fulfil his/her potential. The teaching of PSHE and Citizenship should provide a framework whereby this can be achieved. During their time at Clifford, children will be given opportunities to learn more about themselves and about their place in society - in the family, at school, and in the wider world. To enhance this, we have set up a school's council with representatives from Y1 and Y2 at the beginning of the school year, and Reception later in the year. This framework enables all the children to begin their development towards being responsible people. PSHE and Citizenship are integrated with RE, Assemblies, Health, Sex and Relationships and Drug Education.

Aims and Objectives

By including this subject in our curriculum we aim to :-

- develop ideas of keeping healthy
- develop the child's personality
- increase his/her awareness of own ability
- help understanding of own ability
- help understanding of relationships
- foster ideas of responsibility

- increase independence and self-motivation
- suggest strategies for self-help and behaviour management

Methods

We teach PSHE and Citizenship when needed and sometimes using SEAL materials and 'Big Questions'. It could be taught as a:

- cross-curricular activity - areas of study for this subject will occur in lessons such as Science, RE, PE and Art.
- As a discrete subject area in itself - lessons which are directly planned from the long-term planning for Reception, following the Foundation Stage Profile and learning outcomes for Years 1 and 2.
- As one of the main focuses of Healthy Schools Week - a week's programme of study, usually in May, where the emphasis is on keeping healthy, by healthy eating and lots of exercise, and learning how to look after our bodies. Other opportunities which are included during the year:

Autumn 1 - Cultural Awareness Week

Spring 1 - Skip to be Fit

Summer 1 - Healthy Schools Week, including the Heart Start Programme

Summer 2 - Sex and Relationship Education - Y2

There are also times when things are taught whenever the need arises. These lessons will reflect situations such as playground behaviour, bereavement, family problems or particular issues at school.

Resources

Most of these are kept in the staff room, with books in the library and resources in staffshare on the computer system. They include :-

- A large file of photocopiable worksheets "Citizenship Resource files".
- A large book of photocopiable materials "Health for Life".
- Booklets, pamphlets, leaflets about PSHE and Citizenship.
- A shelf of books about the topics relating to PSHE, eg. divorce, bullying, emotions, self-awareness.
- The SEAL resource file.

Other resources can be found in the library, including :-

- fiction books
- poetry books
- big books (used also for literacy)
- videos/DVD's (also used for other subjects, eg. history,
- CD's geography, science, PE, and RE)

It is acknowledged that additions to these resources will be made when needed.

Assessment and Record-keeping

Children's progress will be reported annually in the school report.

There may be a project leader who will lead elements of PSHE when appropriate.