



PSHE (Personal, Social and Health Education)



PSHE at St Michael's helps pupils to develop the knowledge, skills and attributes they need to manage many of the critical opportunities, challenges and responsibilities they face in school and as they grow up. We aim for every child to be able to become respectful global citizens.

By teaching our pupils to stay safe and healthy, and by building self-esteem, resilience and empathy, our PSHE programme tackles barriers to learning, raises aspirations, and improves the life chances of all our pupils. We promote a growth mindset so that children can overcome such barriers and thrive.

PSHE is taught throughout the school. Through relevant discussions, real experiences, responding to the specific needs of the children, discreet subject lessons, themed weeks and assemblies, PSHE permeates throughout the whole school curriculum, touching every aspect of the school experience and beyond. Being at the heart of our school, the children learn about British Values as well as the school's Values and Ethos, based around the parable of the Good Samaritan.

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Our classrooms have a negotiated Class Agreement (or Charter) that all staff and pupils in that room sign up to. All children have regular opportunities to give their teachers feedback on what helps them learn and what they enjoy most about their lessons. The children are fully involved in the assessment of their own learning and the evaluation of their work. Children have opportunities to make choices in their learning and there is a strong emphasis on mutual support and collaboration. Children respect and value each other's similarities and differences and support each other. Every child has an equal opportunity to make progress to the best of their ability.

High status and time is given to 'pupil voice' issues through the School Council and children have opportunities to take on roles of responsibility such as School Council Representatives, Growth Mindset Ambassadors, Collective Worship Leaders, Eco Warriors Prefects and House Captains.