

Learn Together in Year 6

In this unit of work, students learn...

- what it means to be attracted to someone and different kinds of loving relationships
- that people who love each other can be of any gender, ethnicity or faith
- the difference between gender identity and sexual orientation and everyone's right to be loved
- Describe ways in which media can shape ideas about gender; identify messages about gender roles and make judgements based on them; challenge and explain why it is important to reject inappropriate messages about gender online
- how to protect personal information online
- to identify potential risks of personal information being misused
- strategies for dealing with requests for personal information or images of themselves
- to identify types of images that are appropriate to share with others and those which might not be appropriate
- that images or text can be quickly shared with others, even when only sent to one person, and what the impact of this might be
- what to do if they take, share or come across an image which may upset, hurt or embarrass them or others
- how to report the misuse of personal information or sharing of upsetting content/ images online
- about the different age rating systems for social media, T.V, films, games and online gaming
- why age restrictions are important and how they help people make safe decisions about what to watch, use or play
- about the risks and effects of different drugs
- about the laws relating to drugs common to everyday life and illegal drugs
- to recognise why people choose to use or not use drugs, including nicotine, alcohol and medicines as well as illegal drugs
- about the organisations where people can get help and support concerning drug use
- how to ask for help if they have concerns about drug use
- about mixed messages in the media relating to drug use and how they might influence opinions and decisions
- to recognise some of the changes as they grow up e.g. increasing independence
- about what being more independent might be like, including how it may feel
- about the transition to secondary school and how this may affect their feelings
- about how relationships may change as they grow up or move to secondary school
- practical strategies that can help to manage times of change and transition e.g. practising the bus route to secondary school
- identify the links between love, committed relationships and conception
- what sexual intercourse is, and how it can be one part of an intimate relationship between consenting adults
- how pregnancy occurs i.e. when a sperm meets an egg and the fertilised egg settles into the lining of the womb
- that pregnancy can be prevented with contraception
- about the responsibilities of being a parent or carer and how having a baby changes someone's life

- to compare the features of a healthy and unhealthy friendship
- about the shared responsibility if someone is put under pressure to do something dangerous and something goes wrong
- strategies to respond to pressure from friends including online
- how to assess the risk of different online 'challenges' and 'dares'
- how to recognise and respond to pressure from others to do something unsafe or that makes them feel worried or uncomfortable
- how to get advice and report concerns about personal safety, including online
- what consent means and how to seek and give/not give permission in different situations
- that mental health is just as important as physical health and that both need looking after
- to recognise that anyone can be affected by mental ill-health and that difficulties can be resolved with help and support
- how negative experiences such as being bullied or feeling lonely can affect mental wellbeing
- positive strategies for managing feelings
- that there are situations when someone may experience mixed or conflicting feelings
- how feelings can often be helpful, whilst recognising that they sometimes need to be overcome
- to recognise that if someone experiences feelings that are not so good (most or all of the time) – help and support is available
- identify where they and others can ask for help and support with mental wellbeing in and outside school
- the importance of asking for support from a trusted adult
- about the changes that may occur in life including death, and how these can cause conflicting feelings
- that changes can mean people experience feelings of loss or grief
- about the process of grieving and how grief can be expressed
- about strategies that can help someone cope with the feelings associated with change or loss
- to identify how to ask for help and support with loss, grief or other aspects of change
- how balancing time online with other activities helps to maintain their health and wellbeing
- strategies to manage time spent online and foster positive habits e.g. switching phone off at night
- what to do and whom to tell if they are frightened or worried about something they have seen online

Exploring Moral Development and Relationships

Moral and Spiritual

Supporting Physical and Mental Health