

PSHE Update

This term on Thursday the 17th of March, Kieran Green from Brighton and Hove Albion in the Community came in to deliver an assembly to the year 8's on Disability awareness. In the assembly Kieran discussed his disability 'cerebral palsy' and how he has changed his life and others through the sheer love of sport. Kieran then coached for an hour to a small group of pupils. The hour was very inclusive for our children who have special educational needs and/or disability (SEND). The session was hugely successful and inclusive. We look forward to welcoming Kieran back in the future.

Next term in PSHE KS3 are focusing on topics from Relationships & Sex Education, Health Education and Living in the Wider World. Year 7 are learning about how to make decisions and manage peer pressure about films and online viewing and how relationships are portrayed and how this can affect relationship expectations, behaviours and values. Towards the end of the term the students will be learning about a sensitive topic called Female Genital Mutilation (FGM). This topic is important as it is something that happens not only across the world, but in the UK too. FGM can happen to children younger than KS3 and therefore we would like to raise awareness and make sure that our students know what it is, how to spot the signs and where to seek support.

Year 8 are learning about Social networking and online friendships, Gambling online, sharing images and an introduction to consent.

Year 9 will be learning about healthy and unhealthy relationships, harmful sexual behaviours, preventing STIs and consent. The first lessons of the term are to support the in theatre education performance that the year 9 students watched this term. The new production aimed to raise awareness, ignite conversations and promote cultural change around Sexism, Sexual Harassment and Sexual Violence. The 60-minute production and post-show talk helped to raise awareness of, sexual harassment and sexist stereotypes, attitudes and behaviour, where these types of attitudes and behaviours come from and what their effects are and consent and how to respond and/or report these behaviours. Students in year 9 have said that they think the performance was a great way to get the message across and that it has really helped them to realise the impact these behaviours can have on other people.

KS4 will be focusing mainly on the topic Living in the Wider World during term five. The lessons for year 10 will teach the students about Careers and help prepare them for work experience. Year 11 will be learning about Employability focusing on different careers and jobs, what does it mean to be an entrepreneur and CV writing.

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