



TOOT HILL SCHOOL

Year 10 Personal Development Curriculum



'Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today'.
Malcolm X

As our children step towards young adulthood, our Year 10 Personal Development Curriculum deliberately focuses on the social and emotional aspect of their development as their horizons and experiences broaden. We endeavour to provide a wealth of opportunities for our students to strengthen their morals and deepen their emotional intelligence and compassion, in order to enhance their confidence to make mature and safe decisions. Our year group will continue to act as excellent role models who embody our school ethos and demonstrate kindness, empathy and integrity, for the younger school community.

We are committed to providing an age appropriate curriculum that focuses on the emerging trends that are significant to our students such as relationships, well-being and the influence of social media. Students will explore more widely their local and regional communities and the diversity of our national culture. We are determined to help our students develop more sophisticated communication skills, including patient listening, to enable them to articulate their opinions with purpose, pride and conviction through discussion and debate.

Our team of teachers and tutors will create a culture of ambition within the year group, where our children will develop their intrinsic motivation as they engage more deeply and passionately with their areas of interests. Our students will be inspired to carefully seek and select appropriate work experience as they take their next steps towards the world of work. The full range of pathways will be explored with our students as they carefully consider their options for an exciting future ahead.

By Year 10 our students will have well developed scholarship skills and as they embark on their Key Stage 4 studies, we expect them to improve their independent learning skills including a deeper commitment to wider reading and a more precise response to feedback. We will wholeheartedly support them in achieving balance between the academic challenges they will face and maintaining a positive approach to their well-being. We passionately believe the Personal Development Curriculum will prepare our students to become successful and responsible young citizens who will make a valuable contribution to society, whilst leading safe and happy lives.