

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



PSHE & Citizenship

Q What does PSHE stand for?

A Personal, Social, Health & Economic education

Q When are students taught PSHE & Citizenship?

A Years 7 & 8 attend an hour lesson once a week. Year 9 attend one fortnightly lesson. Each year group has several 'health and character' days a year, including Character Week, which is a collapsed timetable week focusing solely on PSHE, Citizenship and careers. All key stages follow a tutor time curriculum and assembly plan to supplement their PSHE provision.

Q What topics are students taught in these lessons?

A Students are taught a huge range of topics including; careers, personal finance, mental and physical health, internet safety, human rights, character education, criminal justice and the legal system. For more information on what is taught, and when, please see the PSHE section of the Bishop Challoner website.

Q What is the purpose of PSHE & Citizenship lessons?

A Our aim is to ensure our students are safe and prepared for life beyond school. Our lessons, assemblies, form times and health days develop students into global citizens who understand: how to make safe choices physically and online; what moral duty one has to society; how they can be active citizens; how to develop their careers; how to stay physically and mentally healthy and how to manage money.

Q Do you use outside organisations to teach students about certain issues?

A Yes. We use speakers or workshops from external agencies to supplement and support our education program. Speaker and visitors are carefully selected and their resources are checked prior to delivery.

Q Do you teach students about sex and relationships?

A Relationships, such as friendships and family issues, are taught in PSHE lessons. Sex education topics are taught in Religious Studies and Science.