



UNLOCKING POTENTIAL



PERSONAL, SOCIAL, AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTION PLAN

Rationale

Throughout the pandemic, many children and their families have had to self-isolate, as well as adhering to the national lockdowns and social distancing laws. These social changes come with detrimental impacts to children and families, such as loneliness, depression and anxiety. The lack of structure to some children's school and nursery days as a result of closures could be challenging for many (UNICEF, 2020). The proportion of children in a sample taken by the EEF (2022) who gained a GLD at the end of Reception was 13 percentage points smaller than the proportion in the national data in 2018/19 (58.7% compared with 72% in 2018/2019). Furthermore, EEF surveys suggested schools had concerns about children's PSED (73.6%) and Communication and Language (63.9%) as well as Literacy (73.6%) at the end of year. Lockdown was also found to have negatively impacted upon the emotional intelligence of 9-10 year olds (Martín-Requejo and Santiago-Ramajo, 2021). Analysis of Highfield EYFS Goals shows no significant difference between pre and post pandemic cohort scores in Communication and Language and Personal, Social and Emotional Development. However, anecdotal feedback from staff across Highfield Primary School and observations of children both at play and in the classroom suggested personal, social and emotional development of all year groups was an area requiring intervention through a whole school strategy. The need to better self-regulate, empathise, be resilient, and work and play cooperatively have been identified as specific areas for attention.

Aim / Intent

To improve the personal, social and emotional development of all children in school by supporting them to learn to get on with others, make friends, understand and talk about feelings, learn about right and wrong, develop independence and tolerance and improving emotional intelligence. Emotional literacy is the ability to express our emotions and feelings using speech and other forms of communication. It's an important skill that children must develop from a young age to help establish a stable relationship with their own emotions.

This is done through the three key areas of self-regulation, managing one's self and building relationships.

- Self-Regulation Show an understanding of their own feelings and those of others, and begin to regulate their behaviour accordingly; Set and work towards simple
 goals, being able to wait for what they want and control their immediate impulses when appropriate; Give focused attention to what the teacher says, responding
 appropriately even when engaged in activity, and show an ability to follow instructions involving several ideas or actions.
- Managing Self Be confident to try new activities and show independence, resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge; Explain the reasons for rules, know
 right from wrong and try to behave accordingly; Manage their own basic hygiene and personal needs, including dressing, going to the toilet and understanding the
 importance of healthy food choices.
- Building Relationships Work and play cooperatively and take turns with others; Form positive attachments to adults and friendships with peers; Show sensitivity to their own and to others' needs.



Action Plan / Implementation

Objective	Success Criteria	Actions and Timescale	Monitoring and Responsibilities	Resources	Budget Implications	Priority, Policy, Curriculum Links
Create PSED Action Plan Strategy	Implementation of the Strategy	 Implementation of the curriculum: 20/02/23 	Overall: Jonathan Feeley (Headteacher) & L Bowker (Deputy Head)			- SIP Priority 4 - 2023-24 SIP
Create Whole School PSED Curriculum	 ✓ To improve personal, social and emotional learning ✓ To improve all interactions throughout school ✓ To improve the ability of children to understand and express themselves accurately 	 To develop a curriculum which builds on the Early Learning Goals of: Listening, Attention and Understanding; Speaking; Self-Regulation; Managing Self; and Building Relationships, with expectations appropriate to age To develop a progressive curriculum, with lessons which build skills sequentially To use retrieval opportunities to activate prior learning To maximise the opportunities for talk and role play of common scenarios in school To model and maximise relevant vocabulary e.g., when expressing emotions Timescale: Curriculum ready to implement by 20/02/23 	Strategic Curriculum Design, Overview, Monitoring, Evaluation Lead: Liz Bowker (Deputy Head, EYFS Lead) Supporting Leaders: Jonny Gath and Rebecca Thackrah (Behaviour and Culture Leads) Chloe Overduin (PSHE Lead) Amie Elson (KS2 English & Oracy Lead) Jim Brassil (Pedagogy Lead) Rowan Homan (Curriculum Lead) Anne Hargrave (SALT Lead) Rachael McVeigh (SENDCo and AHT) Helen Calvert (Learning Mentor)	 EYFS Framework PSHE Curriculum Behaviour, Trauma, Safeguarding, Anti-Bullying Policy Education Endowment Foundation Toolkit, Research Papers Outdoor Play and Learning doc 	None – time only	(Oracy) - EYFS Framework - PSHE Curriculum (including British Values) - RED Award - Behaviour, Trauma, Safeguarding, Anti-Bullying Policies - DfE Character Education Framework Guidance - EIF Personal Development
To Fully Support Staff in the Implementation	 Staff Well-being maintained through minimising additional workload 	 All planning and preparation to be done by members of SLT, no increase in workload for teaching staff 	All teaching staff Feedback opportunities: Headteacher, Deputy Head	Teaching slides Medium Term Plan	None – time only	



of the PSED	√	Staff fully understand	No marking or recording required			
Strategy		and feel confident in	minimizing workload. All teaching			
01	1	the delivery of the	through talk, white board opportunities,			
		PSED Curriculum	modelling and role play			
	\checkmark	Staff feel confident	CPD delivered in the staff meeting			
		and have the	briefing the day before (staff meeting			
		opportunity to	Wednesday, delivery Thursday).			
		feedback on the	Feedback opportunities for staff in both			
		implementation and	staff meeting and whole school briefing			
		impact	Whole School Assembly on Monday			
			delivered by the headteacher used as a			
	1		pre-teach opportunity. The focus for the			
			PSED lesson that week to be introduced			
	1		and discussed on a whole school level.			
	1		Timescale: Ready to support the			
T			curriculum implementation by 20/02/23	During an Managara	Dudeet	61000
To Improve	ľ	Playtimes are structured to allow	 Playtime 'zones' to provide greater structure, props designated for each 	Business Manager	Budget	£1000
Personal, Social and Emotional	1	greater opportunities	structure, areas designated for each class. Zones timetabled	Administration Team	Procurement	initially to invest.
Development	1	for development of	 Greater variety of ball games to be 		FIOCULEINEIL	Attributed
through	1	PSE skills	introduced immediately	All Teaching Staff	Outdoor Play	to the PTA
Playtime	√	Provision is improved	 Outdoor Play and Learning Strategy to 		and Learning	Quiz profits
Provision		to provide a greater	be devised outlining the activities in	Governors	Strategy	
Opportunities		range of play	each zone. Budget then to be allocated		- / 61	
••	1	opportunities	to outlined provision. Other avenues to	Parents		
		developing a greater	be explored, e.g., appeal to parents for			
		range of PSE skills	unused Lego to be donated, local dairy			
			for milk crates etc.			
			Risk Assessments for the areas of			
			provision which require them, e.g., crate			
			building			
То	\checkmark	Staff understand the	Share the Plan via email/SharePoint with	All Teaching Staff	Email	None – time
Communicate	1	purpose	staff			only
				Governors	Newsletter	



the Aims Effectively	 ✓ Governors informed and feedback ✓ Parents informed 	 Share, discuss and receive feedback via staff meetings and briefing Share, discuss and receive feedback from the Teaching and Learning Pupil Support Committee Agenda Keep Parents informed through the newsletter Timescale: Share: ready to support the curriculum implementation by 20/02/23 TLPS Governors Committee: Next TLPS (Summer) 	Parents	Teaching, Learning Pupil Support Committee Agenda Staff meeting & briefing time		
Measure the Impact	 ✓ The voice of pupils ✓ The voice of staff ✓ Behaviour log shows a reduction in incidents ✓ Parental contact regarding behaviour reduces 	 Newsletter: Weekly if appropriate Questionnaires distributed to pupils to measure socio-emotional profile and gain additional information about our young people's emotional health and well-being, as well as to give a picture of the peer relationships and levels of social acceptance and rejection within a class. Pupil Questionnaire question sections: 1-5 Work Confidence 5-10 Persistence 10-14 Organisation 15-19 Getting Along & Self- Regulation 20-24 Resilience & Self-Soothing Other Pupils and Whole School Questionnaires distributed to staff to measure their observations of the 	Headteacher, Deputy Headteacher, Learning Mentor, PSHE Lead, Behaviour and Culture Leads	Input and analysis system, e.g., Microsoft Forms Questionnaires CPOMS	None – time only	



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impact of the PSED Action Plan upon the		
socio-emotional development of our		
children.		
Analysis of behaviour log through		
CPOMS and parental contacts.		

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