

CORE COURSE

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION

QUALIFICATION

N/A

FACULTY

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION

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WHAT QUALITIES & SKILLS WILL I GAIN?

Personal Development Education (PDE) is a school subject through which pupils develop the knowledge, skills and attributes they need to manage their lives, now and in the future.

These skills and attributes help pupils to stay healthy, safe and prepare them for life and work in modern Britain.

PDE helps pupils to achieve their academic potential, and leave school equipped with skills they will need throughout later life.

HOW IS THE COURSE ORGANISED & ASSESSED?

The course is split into 3 distinct sections:

- Relationships and Sex Education
- Health and Wellbeing
- Living in the Wider World

Ashfield School is dedicated to ensuring all pupils have access to a well-rounded curriculum, are given the opportunity to develop opinions and ask questions in a secure environment, and most importantly, feel adequately prepared for adult life in modern Britain.

All KS4 pupils receive additional PDE guidance via the tutor programme, immersion days and through the exploitation of cross curricular links.

PDE is not assessed.

Knowledge is measured using informal interim and end of unit progress checkers.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

HOW MANY TOPICS WILL I STUDY?

You will study 3 topics; each lesson will fit into the one or more of the topics.

HOW MANY PDE LESSONS DO I HAVE A FORTNIGHT?

1 per fortnight.

WHY DO I HAVE TO STUDY PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION?

PDE helps pupils to develop the knowledge, skills and attributes they need to thrive as individuals, family members and members of society.

From making responsible decisions about alcohol to succeeding in their first job, PDE helps pupils to manage many of the most critical opportunities, challenges and responsibilities they will face growing up.

WHY IS PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION IMPORTANT?

A growing body of research shows that pupils who are emotionally healthy do better at school.

PDE helps children and young people to achieve their potential by supporting their wellbeing and tackling issues that can affect their ability to learn, such as anxiety and unhealthy relationships.

PDE also helps pupils to develop skills and aptitudes - like teamwork, communication, and resilience - that are crucial to navigating the challenges and opportunities of the modern world, and are increasingly valued by employers.

