



Personal Development 2025

Curriculum Intention: Personal Development

At St Augustine's, our Personal Development curriculum is designed to empower students to become confident, responsible, and well-rounded individuals who are prepared for the challenges of the wider world. We aim to nurture pupils' character, resilience, and wellbeing, ensuring they develop the knowledge, skills, and attributes they need to thrive personally and socially.

Through a carefully structured curriculum that includes PSHE, RSE, careers education, enrichment activities, and cross-curricular links, we ensure that personal development is a core part of the student experience at every stage of their journey with us.

Curriculum Leader Personal Development: Mrs S Lambert

If you have any questions or concerns regarding personal development, please feel free to contact our Personal Development Lead, Mrs S Lambert, via the school office 01254 823362 or by email at lamberts@sarchs.romerocat.com

RSE: Right to Withdraw

As part of our curriculum, in year 10 we will soon be delivering Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) lessons in accordance with the statutory guidance from the Department for Education. These lessons are designed to support the emotional, social, and physical development of our pupils and are delivered in an age-appropriate and sensitive manner.

We want to ensure you are fully informed about what your child will be learning and of your rights regarding their participation. Under the current guidance:

- **Relationships and Sex Education (RSE)** is statutory in all secondary schools.
- **Parents have the right to withdraw their child from the *sex education* elements of RSE that go beyond the national science curriculum.** There is no right to withdraw from Relationships Education or Health Education.

If you wish to withdraw your child please submit a written request addressed to the Headteacher, Mrs Hunt.

Overview Autumn Term 1 – YEAR 10

To enable you to support and consolidate your child's learning and continue these vital conversations at home, please see the overview below.

AUTUMN HALF TERM 1 : BABIES

Introduction to Personal Development

This introductory lessons focuses on understanding Personal Development and its importance. Within this introductory lesson the class with teacher support will establish the ground rules for Personal Development lessons considering that sensitive topics will be addressed. This lesson briefly introduces British Values and Protected Characteristics. Safeguarding and Support at SARCHS are too addressed.

Babies Cinema in Education

This cinema-in-education session is based on the film Babies which is told in two parts. Annie is 17. She has the world at her feet. Then she discovers that she is unexpectedly pregnant. Joe is 18. He says that she “doesn’t have to stay pregnant” – it’s her choice. As Annie and Joe face their parents with the situation, they receive unexpected reactions, changing their lives and view of the world forever.

Babies covers a wide range of theme dealing with teenage pregnancy, abortion, parenthood, relationship, marriage, family life, love and responsibility. It enable young people to understand delicate issues with their hearts and minds.

Responding to an unexpected Pregnancy

This follow up lesson to the cinema-in-education session, “Babies”, helps pupils to expand their knowledge of how to respond to an unexpected pregnancy and to deepen their understanding about the importance of protecting life before birth.