

## Health and Social Care

### **Intent:**

In Health and Social Care we aim to develop a good understanding of the principles behind providing quality care and support. We believe that it is important for students to develop a knowledge base for working with people in every stage of their lives, and they need to know how their own experiences relate to health and wellbeing.

It is our intention to inspire students to work within health and social care and improve their understanding of the essential skills and responsibilities required to work in this sector. About 3 million people work in health and social care and as demand is likely to rise, it is important to prepare our students to play a key role in UK society and meet the demand for vital health and social care roles.

We will prepare students to react to individual health and social care needs by promoting a personalised approach and an understanding of how to empower people by offering choice.

As students progress, their growing knowledge will help them to understand the importance of maintaining the safety of and safeguarding individuals with health and social care needs, making sure that they properly handle personal information, comply with legislation and prevent discrimination.

Within Health and Social Care we plan to challenge student perceptions of individual health and social care needs by breaking down stereotypical roles; celebrating inclusivity and promoting anti-discriminatory practice.

### **Implementation:**

In Health and Social Care we use a range of different teaching and learning strategies to ensure all students are challenged, engaged and enjoy lessons. Within lessons we access a wide range of different media such as interactive ICT lessons, role play activities, independent research, video clips and documentaries, as well as visits from health and social care professionals.

### **Beyond the classroom:**

Guest speakers from different health and social care professions are fundamental to our students learning. We also work in partnership with local providers to offer year 10 and 12 work placements within health and social care settings. Key Stage 4 students are invited to complete a certificate in first aid and take part in a community event organised for local primary schools, which helps them to demonstrate care values.