

Personal Development









Our Vision

At Meir Heath Academy we want our children to be taught skills that enable them to develop and flourish in the wider curriculum and in life as a whole. Personal Development helps pupils to understand their own personal value, and how as individuals, they fit into and contribute to the world. It helps to develop emotional literacy, build resilience and supports mental and



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Intent

We teach Personal Development as a whole-school approach to underpin children's development as people and because we believe that this also supports their learning capacity. We follow the Jigsaw Programme which offers us a comprehensive, carefully thought-through Scheme of Work which brings consistency and progression to our children's learning in this

<u>Implementation</u>

Children have a weekly Personal Development lesson from the Jigsaw scheme and this ensures progression and a spiral curriculum. These explicit lessons are reinforced and enhanced in many ways: Assemblies, praise and reward system, through relationships child to child, adult to child and adult to adult across the school. We aim to 'live' what is learnt and apply it to everyday situations across the school community.



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Impact

Assessment

Much of the work produced in Jigsaw is verbal, but each child from Year 1 onwards children record their work, reflections, and achievements on Showbie. Assessments are made based upon children's responses in lessons; both written and verbal. At the end of each puzzle piece, teacher's record children's achievements on the school's assessment system.

Most importantly, we hope that as children move on from Meir Heath Academy, to further their education and learning, that they have the knowledge and skills necessary to better understand our rapidly changing world and face the ever-growing challenges that we face in our societies both locally and internationally.

