



The Priory School

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Dear Parent and Carers,

At The Priory School, we deliver a robust PSHE and Citizenship programme during Life lessons and Tutor sessions. All topics covered are important and many are also a statutory requirement outlined by the government. Our aim, during this period of lockdown, is to continue to deliver as many of these lessons as possible, remotely, and in an appropriate format for home learning.

Many of the lessons within the Life programme cover sensitive issues and material. Although the content we deliver is age appropriate, we feel an advisory should go to all parents/ carers: we would advise that during Life lessons students wear headphones and view any lesson content away from younger siblings (as with their usual Life lessons be prepared for students to end their lessons wanting to continue conversations at home).

Below is the list of topics being delivered this half term:

Year 7 – Loss and bereavement. RSE (specifically Hygiene, Puberty and Body image) Mental health/wellbeing

Year 8 – Emotional responses. Loss and Bereavement

Year 9 – Government and voting. Options. Careers

Year 10 – Careers. Diversity. Radicalisation

Year 11 – HIV/Aids. Law and politics. Parenting

Life lessons start at 09:40am on Thursdays, staff are committed to altering resources and the structure of their lessons for online teaching so that these important topics are not missed. With this in mind and because of the sensitive areas covered, we have advised staff that Life lessons can, if appropriate, be shortened to 30 minutes as the usual opportunity for class interaction and discussion does not seem as appropriate in the context of online learning.

Kind regards,

Mr Bucknall
Assistant Headteacher