



Curriculum Overview for Personal Development Year 9

Half Term 1: Managing My Health andDrugs and DilemmasSubstantive Knowledge:What is mental healthMisconceptions about mental healthInclusive alternatives to common phraseslinked to mental healthPositive and negative effects of social mediaWhy people share images onlineManaging the impact of social mediaMisconceptions about unhealthy coping	Key words explicitly taught and reinforced But, because, so Modelling to unpick source information Skim reading Reading comprehension Discussion of big picture questions
strategies Warning signs of eating disorders Sources of support Ways people grieve Five stages of grief Support for grief What is resilience Factors that affect resilience Strategies to persevere Helpfulness of coping strategies What body image is Attributes that are socially desirable How body ideals change through time Why people edit selfies Themes promoted by health magazines	Mental Health Social Media Strategies Disorders Grief Behavioural Resilience Coping Body Image Aesthetic Appearance
Strategies to raise awareness of image editing Disciplinary Knowledge: Analyse data (graphs and tables) Analyse sources Using evidence to make informed decision Reading comprehension Developing and sustaining argument Drawing upon empathy to argue both sides Evaluating significance	Ipsative assessment Ipsative assessment Ipsative assessment Ipsative sheet

Half Term 2: Drugs and Dilemmas Substantive Knowledge:	Key words explicitly taught and reinforced But, because, so
Classifications of drugs How drug use affects others	Modelling to unpick source information
Effects of drugs	Skim reading





How often teenagers use drugsReading comprehensionWhy people use drugsDiscussion of big pictureConsequences of using drugsquestions	
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Strategies for managing peer pressure of	
drugs	
Benefits and disadvantages of amending Drug	
drug laws Physiological	
The different ways to use steroids Psychological	
Effects of steroid use Consumption	
Why people use steroidsSteroids	
Examples of drug offences Hormone	
Law on drugs Possession	
Legal punishments for drug offences Supply	
Factors that affect the effects of drugsProduction	
How to manage safety when others take Set	
drugs Setting	
Consequences of a drugs conviction Addiction	
Examples of common addictions Contemplation	
Indicators of addiction End of unit assessment	
Steps to follow to overcome addiction Ipsative assessment	
Disciplinary Knowledge:	
Analyse data (graphs and tables) Revision	
Analyse sources	
Using evidence to make informed decision	
Reading comprehension	
Developing and sustaining argument	
Drawing upon empathy to argue both	
sides	
Evaluating significance	