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Dear Parent/Carer

PSHE Curriculum

I am writing to update you on the topics Year 8 will be studying in PSHE in the coming weeks. This half term, Year 8 will be focusing on 'Living in the Wider World' and will be learning about **community and careers**. Students will be taught:

- How their previous knowledge of diversity and discrimination applies specifically to the world of work, and the equality of opportunity in the UK compared to some other countries
- The differences between, and benefits of, employment, self-employment, and voluntary work
- How some career choices still suffer from underrepresentation by certain groups within society – this will include ideas specifically around different races and different sexes being underrepresented in certain employment sectors, and what is in place to help redress the balance
- How it is important to have high aspirations for themselves, in whichever field they wish to work in during their working life, regardless of current representation in that field by people of their sex, gender, race, or any other protected characteristic
- The rule of law – what the law in the UK says about employment, and what can happen if someone suffers discrimination in the workplace

PSHE involves both written work and group-based discussion work, and we really hope your child will enjoy exploring the range of topics that PSHE offers. Resources that we use are sourced from the PSHE Association and therefore approved by the Department for Education.

If you wish to review any of our lessons and resources, please contact the school and we will arrange for you to come in, meet with a member of staff and look through the slides we deliver.

If you have any questions or queries relating to the PSHE curriculum, please do not hesitate to get in touch at: info@guiseleyschool.org.uk. The resources below may also be useful for you to discuss the work we do in PSHE with your child/ren at home:

- <https://archive.equalityhumanrights.com/en/useful-information>
- <https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/your-rights/discrimination-hate-crime-equality/>

Yours sincerely

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