

# PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Curriculum Intent  
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**Blackburn Central**  
**HIGH SCHOOL**

Aspire and achieve

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Our vision at BCHS is to provide an excellent, well-rounded education which celebrates academic, emotional and spiritual achievement and prepares our students to fulfill their full potential in an inclusive environment. Personal Development is at the heart of our whole school ethos.

At BCHS we believe that personal development is a key building block for success and a fundamental part in a child's learning and development. We want our students to become healthy, independent and responsible members of a global community who understand how they are developing personally and socially and have the confidence to tackle many of the moral, social and cultural issues that are part of growing up. We provide our children with opportunities for them to learn about rights and responsibilities and appreciate what it means to be a member of a diverse society. Our children are encouraged to develop their sense of self-worth by playing a positive role in contributing to school life and the wider community. The skills they acquire provide them with a firm foundation for BCHS and beyond.

Our intent is to nurture happy, healthy young people who have the knowledge, academic achievement and strength of character to lead safe and successful lives in modern Britain, preparing them for their next steps in education or employment with a thirst for lifelong learning.

We ensure that every member of our school community knows that we are committed to supporting their physical health, safety, and emotional wellbeing throughout their journey with us.

The curriculum is delivered through every aspect of school life; every interaction with another child or an adult in school is a learning experience. It includes activities and experiences that improve awareness and identity, develop talents and potential, build character and cultural capital, enhance children's quality of life and encourage aspiration.

Our personal development curriculum is designed to equip students with the information to support them through the challenges of their formative years, as well as encouraging them to be open-minded global citizens and fully prepared for life in modern Britain. The information provided and nature of the delivery will allow students to make informed decisions about their well-being, relationships and health. Today's children and young people are growing up in an increasingly complex world and living their lives seamlessly on and offline. This presents many positive and exciting opportunities but also many challenges and risks. In this environment, children and young people need to know how to be safe and healthy, and how to manage their academic, personal and social lives in a positive way.