Personal development, health and physical education information for parents – Ryde Public School

Dear parents and caregivers

Students will be involved in the mandatory subject Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE). This subject prepares and supports students to lead, and contribute to, healthy, safe and meaningful lives which promote respect, responsibility, enjoyment, inclusion and social justice for self and others.

Our school's PDHPE program covers a wide range of education matter, including relationships, drug use, human sexuality, child protection, fundamental movement skill development, safety and physical activity. Some of the content of the program deals with sensitive issues. The school recognises this by teaching about these issues within the context of a developmentally appropriate program and by providing information to you about the program.

The school program will be implemented in a manner that supports the role of parents and caregivers and reflects the ethos of the school community.

For more information on PDHPE go to https://syllabus.nesa.nsw.edu.au/pdhpe/. The school program aims to encourage students to make informed decisions about their lifestyle taking into account the values of the family, culture and religion to which they belong.

Some of the specific content which may be covered in PDHPE includes:

Early Stage 1	Stage 1
 Movement skills and physical activity such as games, dance and gymnastics The importance of staying active and the effects on the body Caring for your body, through nutrition and sun protection Relationships Identifies how individuals care for each other Communication Making decisions Feelings, needs and wants Personal health, nutrition and hygiene Body appearance, external body parts and senses Changes in body and abilities since birth Administration of medicine, safe use and storage Personal rights and responsibilities Making and keeping friends, working and playing with others Family roles Road, pedestrian and passenger safety Water safety through safe places, play and survival 	 Movement skills and physical activity such as games, dance and gymnastics The importance of staying active and the effects on the body Caring for your body, through nutrition and sun protection Relationships Identifies how individuals care for each other Communication Making decisions Feelings, needs and wants Personal health, nutrition and hygiene Body appearance, internal and external body parts, (private and non-private) Body systems (skeletal) and senses Changes in body, abilities and feelings about change Medication purpose, safe use and storage Personal rights and responsibilities Road, pedestrian and passenger safety Water safety through safe places, play and survival strategies
strategies	Emergency procedures
Emergency procedures	Recognising and responding to safe and unsafe
Recognising and responding to safe and unsafe	situations
situations	Developing positive relationships and support networks

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Early Stage 1	Stage 1
 Developing positive relationships and support networks Developing assertiveness (No Go Tell) Appropriate and inappropriate touching Caring for the environment at school and home Safe play around the home and school 	 Developing assertiveness (No Go Tell) Appropriate and inappropriate touching Water, air, land pollution and caring for the environment at school and home Safe play around the home and school

Stage 2	Stage 3	
 Movement skills and physical activity such as athletics, games, dance and gymnastics 	 Movement skills and physical activity such as athletics, games, dance and gymnastics 	
 The importance of staying active and the effects on the body 	The importance of staying active and the effects on the body	
 Caring for your body, through nutrition and sun protection 	 Caring for your body, through nutrition and sun protection 	
Relationships	Relationships	
 Identifies how individuals care for each other 	Identifies how individuals care for each other	
Communication	Communication	
Making decisions	 Influences on the decision making processes and 	
Feelings, needs and wants	evaluation	
Personal health, nutrition and hygiene	Feelings, needs and wants	
Male/female characteristics and puberty-related	Personal health, nutrition and hygiene	
changes	Male/female characteristics and puberty-related	
 Body systems (functions), growth, development and 	changes	
heredity	Body systems (functions and interrelationships) and	
Gender images and expectations or male and female	appropriate and inappropriate touching	
characteristics	 Gender images and expectations and male and female characteristics 	
Changes in body and feelings about change	Puberty, reproduction and responsibility in sexual	
Medication purpose, safe use and storage	relationships	
Personal rights and responsibilities	 Identifying physical, social and emotional change and 	
Personal, school, family and cultural values	methods for coping	
Road, pedestrian and passenger safety	Grief and loss	
 Water safety through safe places, play and survival strategies 	 Definition, effects and labelling of drugs such as caffeine, alcohol and tobacco 	
Emergency procedures	Personal rights and responsibilities	
 Recognising and responding to safe and unsafe situations 	Importance of values, developing a code of behaviour and challenging discrimination	



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Stage 2	Stage 3
Developing assertiveness (No Go Tell)	Road, pedestrian and passenger safety and safety on wheels
 Reducing and eliminating risks Water, air, land pollution and caring for the environment at school and home 	Water safety in different environments and survival swimming skills
Safe and fair play around the home and school	Emergency procedures Recognising and responding to safe and unsafe Procedures
	 Influences on self-esteem and developing and maintaining a positive self-concept
	 Reducing and eliminating risks Water, air, land pollution and caring for the environment at home, school and globally
	 Minimising hazards, modelling fair behaviour and promoting safety awareness at school and in play situations

PDHPE will be delivered throughout the course of the year. The school is required to inform parents and caregivers of the content of the curriculum as it deals with sensitive issues. If you have any issues or concerns, please contact the school.

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