

Case Study

William Ransom Primary School



William Ransom Primary is a two-form entry school in Hertfordshire, and as a Values Based School, staff encourage their pupils to develop an understanding of the important qualities in life; kindness, honesty, thoughtfulness and resilience.

Since 2019, William Ransom have used 1decision to deliver their PSHE curriculum and PSHE lead Amy Swinburne states that the programme has hugely supported her and provided lots of tools to start analysing the position of PSHE in the school. 'The supporting documents available as part of the teachers training area have been invaluable. 1decision has significantly reduced the planning time that staff are taking, and the resources are so easy to access with prepared slides. Teachers report that they feel happy and confident when using these resources.'

When asked how 1decision has positively impacted pupils, Amy goes on to state that she has been lucky enough to spend time with lots of pupils across the school as part of pupil voice and they always rave about the 1decision videos. 'The children absolutely love the videos and really look forward to them as a discussion point in lessons. They talk about the characters- children can remember from years back – children falling out of windows or tying shoelaces, or whatever the theme and topic might be. I think it makes them more confident in articulating themselves using the vocabulary when reflecting on their safety or health.'

This year the school have also accessed the whole-school training portal for the first time, as an additional resource alongside their subscription. With PSHE still an ever-changing subject, Amy has thoroughly enjoyed undertaking the modules designed specifically for PSHE leads and feels much more informed than before. She also adds, 'I look forward to using some of the resources as part of staff meeting time with everyone else - to share some of the knowledge.'

In preparing for Ofsted, the school were not previously using the programme when they were last inspected but would now 'be able to present them with a really comprehensive understanding of our PSHE curriculum and that is down to the resources 1decision provides.'

Finally, when asked if she would recommend 1decision to other schools, Amy answered; 'I would definitely recommend 1decision to other schools! We are very lucky here to have 1decision as a tool for informing our practice.'

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