










At Downsway Primary School, these are just some of the ways we promote the Protected 9 Characteristics in our Year 5 curriculum.

<p style="text-align: center;">Age</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Disability</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Gender Reassignment</p> 
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PSHE and SRE – how our bodies change as we get older and puberty • PSHE - Age related expectations and responsibilities • Computing – discussing how age appropriate apps are used and when we access them. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English – ‘The Present’. We watch a short film of a boy and a puppy with a missing leg and write the story from the perspective of the dog – thinking about how the puppy feels rejected due to it’s disability. • Paralympian visit- Biennial visit from Aaron Phipps 	<p style="text-align: center;">Not covered in Year 5.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Race</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Religion or Belief</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Marriage or Civil Partnership</p> 
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English – We read the book ‘Hidden Figures’ about a group of Black women who worked for NASA. • PSHE – Discussion of the Rights of a child which includes discussion of the terms of refugees, migrants and asylum seekers. • History – Tudors: We learn about people of colour in Tudor times. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RE - Sikhism Discuss: How far would a Sikh go for their religion? Are Sikh stories important today? What is the best way for a Sikh to show commitment to God? • RE – Christianity Discuss: Is the Christmas Story true? Was Jesus’ life & death planned by God? What is the best way for a Christian to show commitment to God? • History – Tudors: Reformation of the Church & the Dissolution of the Monasteries 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History – Tudor and Current Monarchs: marriage and divorce within the royal family
<p style="text-align: center;">Sex</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Sexual Orientation</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Pregnancy and Maternity</p> 
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Computing - Understanding gender stereotypes in terms of influencers and how trolling can occur due to this. • History – Tudors: How male heirs were preferred (Henry wanting a son) and how this links to current Royal family heir of succession. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PSHE – Understanding similarities and differences of different people, including sexual orientation, sex, gender. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PSHE and SRE – Pregnancy and development of a baby in the womb.

Please note; *The government does not expect all of these characteristics to be taught in every year group and schools should use their professional judgement to plan their curriculum appropriately. At Downsway Primary School, we ensure that our children are given opportunities to develop age appropriate knowledge and understanding through a well-planned and delivered curriculum. Teaching the Protected 9 Characteristics aims to support children in gaining understanding of the diverse and multicultural society they live in. It strives to develop their appreciation of differences between individuals and groups and to teach acceptance and tolerance of other people's cultures, traditions, and ways of life. In addition to explicit teaching, the nine protected characteristics are further embedded through assemblies and daily interactions.*