










At Downsway Primary School, these are just some of the ways we promote the Protected 9 Characteristics in our Year 6 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- transitioning to secondary school & preparing for getting older & becoming a teenager 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paralympian visit- Biennial visit from Aaron Phipps 	<p style="text-align: center;">No coverage in Year 6</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- Mohinder's War studied as a class book, exploring the role of Indian pilots in the RAF • Reading- Holes by Louis Sachar- we look at & address the issues within the book linked to racism • Art- studying the work of sculptor Yinka Shonibare and how his work represents race & culture • French- respecting nationality & appreciation of cultural diversity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RE Christianity- How significant was it that Mary was Jesus' mother? Is anything ever eternal? Is Christianity still a strong religion 200 years after Jesus was on earth? • RE Islam- What is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God? Does belief in Akhira (life after death) help Muslims lead good lives? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PSHE- Understanding similarities and differences of different people, including sexual orientation, sex & gender
<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"> • PSHE- Discussions around body image and the pressures of society • PSHE- Understanding similarities and differences of different people, including sex & gender • Computing- Understanding gender stereotypes as they may appear on line and how to challenge them • History- The role of women in World War 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PSHE- Understanding similarities and differences of different people, including sexual orientation • PSHE- Laws around consent 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PSHE- Pregnancy & how a female becomes pregnant • PSHE- Different family dynamics & units

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.*