# What subjects will I study? What will I be doing in my lessons?

## Frequently Asked Questions

#### **Social Science**



Hello and welcome to SCOPE; you are probably wondering what subject this is but it's not something completely new for secondary school. SCOPE is our name for the health, relationships, finance and personal education curriculum at Shoeburyness High School. You may have called it PSHE or PSE or even PSHEE at primary school.

You will have one SCOPE lesson every two weeks and the idea is that the SCOPE curriculum gives you an opportunity to explore issues, often difficult or sensitive ones such as bereavement and bullying, which you may have to face during life. We explore these through a range of teaching methods including discussion and consideration of personal experiences and opinions. We hope that by the time you leave year 11 you are aware of a whole range of issues that affect our lives and are able to reflect on the impact your choices may have on other people and also that you will be equipped to make a positive contribution to the wider community.

We encourage visits from outside speakers and groups to provide a range of perspectives on important issues. Usually we have visitors into year 7 from Southend Council's safety team to talk to students about keeping safe and who to contact if you are worried about someone you know or something happening in your community.

We use a range of different interactive activities during lessons including role play, group work, creative activities and games to give you an opportunity to learn about life outside school, to make informed choices and to know where to get accurate information (no fake news in my department!), advice and support when you need it.

#### **Social Science Team**

Mrs Andrews - that's me. I'm Head of Faculty and in charge of your SCOPE lessons.

Mrs Allum is Head of Health and Social Care which is a subject you can pick in year 10.

Mrs Treherne is Head of Sociology and Psychology; you'll have to wait until year 12 to study those.

Miss Hall

Miss Palmer

Mrs Fanning

Miss Burgess

### Positive thoughts

There are so many things to feel excited about coming to Shoeburyness High School and we would love to hear about all the things you are looking forward to.

We would therefore like you to create a poster about this and email it in so we can share it with other year 6 pupils.

Please email your posters to me at <u>KarenANDREWS@Shoeburyness.southend.sch.uk</u> and we will share them on the website.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you,

Mrs Andrews



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