



Positive Relationships

PDHPE Teaching Kit K–6

Early Stage 1
KINDERGARTEN

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- Why do we need rules?
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- My playground rules
- Respecting the property of others

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- Understanding empathy

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- I am unique
- Important values

Clear messages



- Learning to listen
- Inside and outside voices
- Responding to situations
- Friendly faces

Good friends



- Playing together
- Sharing at school
- My friends

People who care for me



- Important people

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Making the rules



- Rules are important
- My school and classroom rules
- Rights and responsibilities at school
- Expectations

Celebrating differences



- My identity
- We are all unique
- Celebrating our differences
- We all have positive qualities

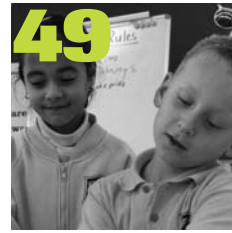
Making friends



- People who are special to me
- Feeling happy at school
- How to greet people
- Being a good friend
- Keeping friends

- Making new students feel welcome
- Expressing feelings
- My goals

Knowing right from wrong



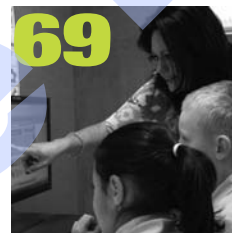
- Showing respect
- Including friends in games
- Anti-bullying

Helping others



- People I can go to for help
- Helping my friends
- What can a bystander do to help?

The internet



- What is personal information?
- Adults can help keep me safe
- Keep your personal information safe

- Respecting property
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- Online bullying
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Establishing ground rules



- Showing respect
- Positive attributes
- Following the rules

We are all different



- Understanding differences
- Diversity in our classroom
- Our strengths
- Class values
- Honesty and respect

Confident communicators



- What is bullying?
- How do we deal with bullying?
- Feeling good

Managing my feelings



- Types of feelings
- What is change?
- Managing change
- Dealing with hurt and loss

Valued qualities



- Changing
- Important things we value
- Making friends
- My friendships
- Friendships sometimes change

Friendship qualities

Peer influence

Belonging to a group

My support network

Positive online behaviour



Using computers and the internet

How can I keep myself protected?

Accepting friends online

Identifying appropriate sites

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Power and influence



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- Personal networks
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Personal and group values

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Diversity and difference



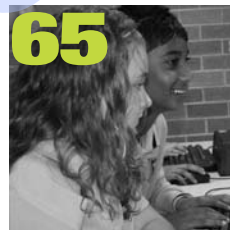
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- Prejudice
- Roles and responsibilities

Personal skills



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