

Year 9 – Child Development

National Curriculum ‘Plus’

Subject: Child Development

Project Title: Roles and Responsibilities of Parenthood

Key Objectives	Key Knowledge Covered:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Factors to consider when having a child (relationship; finance; support; parental age; genetics).✓ The responsibilities of parenthood, including impact of a baby on family lifestyle.✓ The importance of considering pre-conception health when planning to have a baby – drug and alcohol affected babies curriculum.✓ Child safety – Sudden Infant Death Syndrome; Shaken Baby Syndrome.✓ First aid training – keeping new born babies safe.✓ The role of the midwife.✓ Special needs and impact on family life.
	Key Skills Covered:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Develop skills in researching, analysing and presenting information.✓ Communication skills, working in a team and taking part in group discussions.✓ ICT skills, using technology to research information and programs to present their findings, such as PowerPoint and Publisher.✓ First aid skills – taking part in a practical workshop and developing life skills.✓ Exam technique: identifying, explaining and describing information.
How is this project designed so it covers and goes beyond the National Curriculum?	<p>The foundation of the subject is understanding the importance of the roles and responsibilities of parenthood. We look at the factors couples need to consider when thinking of starting a family and ensuring that they are ready and are able to cope with the long-lasting responsibilities of parenthood. Pupils should understand the demands of parenthood and the impact this can have on the development of the child.</p> <p>They will experience the midwifery service running an interactive session about their role and the Wigan ‘Baby Box’ project, they will understand how health professionals support the pregnant mother. They will also experience interactive first aid training which looks specifically at CPR for a baby, choking and some childhood illnesses. This will link to the DTW careers enrichment programme and an understanding of how the qualification at KS4 can lead on to opportunities post 16, ensuring they can make an informed choice about their options.</p>	