

#### Explorer Curriculum - Building block to Formal Curriculum

- The building block before a fully formal curriculum.
- Strong focus on Early Literacy and Numeracy.
- Key skills and knowledge to understand the world around them.
- Functional Skills to apply basic knowledge.
- For children with moderate learning difficulties, autism and other learning needs. Learning takes place through tangible 'real life situations' with regular revisiting of learning.
- Students follow an Entry Level (1-3) Pathway at KS4 and KS5.

## **6.5 – Talkabout - Explorer Curriculum** – 2 Subjects/Lessons weekly

Year	2021 – 2022 Autumn 1	2021 – 2022 Autumn 2	2021 – 2022 Spring 1	2021 – 2022 Spring 2	2021 – 2022 Summer 1	2021 – 2022 Summer 2
	Topic: Topic: Developing Social skills – Body language	Topic: Topic: Developing Social skills – Body language	Topic: Topic: Developing Social skills – Talking	Topic: Topic: Developing Social skills – Talking	Topic: Topic: Developing Social skills – Assertiveness	Topic: Topic: Developing Social skills - Assertiveness
	Talkabout scheme- Talkabout for Children	Talkabout scheme- Talkabout for Children	Talkabout scheme- Talkabout for Children	Talkabout scheme- Talkabout for Children	Talkabout scheme- Talkabout for Children	Talkabout scheme- Talkabout for Children
	Suggested Key Questions:	Suggested Key Questions:	Suggested Key Questions:	Suggested Key Questions:	Suggested Key Questions:	Suggested Key Questions:
	-Why is it important to maintain eye contact during a conversation? -Can you understand how somebody is feeling from their facial expressions? What is the appropriate distance when talking to others? -What is meant by good posture?Why can excessive touch cause embarrassment or anger in others?	-Why is it important to maintain eye contact during a conversation? -Can you understand how somebody is feeling from their facial expressions? What is the appropriate distance when talking to others? -What is meant by good posture?Why can excessive touch cause	-Why is it important to talk at an appropriate volume? -When might we talk faster? Do you understand what clarity of speech means? -Why is speaking important? How can we show people that we are interested in what they are saying?	-Why is it important to talk at an appropriate volume? -When might we talk faster? Do you understand what clarity of speech means? -Why is speaking important? How can we show people that we are interested in what they are saying?	-Can you explain the difference between being passive or aggressive? -Can you explain the importance of stop, think, speak and listen? -Can you express feelings with appropriate body language and vocabularyWhat does 'stand up for yourself' mean?	-Can you explain the difference between being passive or aggressive? -Can you explain the importance of stop, think, speak and listen? -Can you express feelings with appropriate body language and vocabularyWhat does 'stand up for yourself' mean?

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- -To develop an understanding of interpersonal and self-management skills and be able to recognise these skills in themselves and others.
- Learners will consider the body language used by themselves and others, time management skills and passive, assertive and aggressive behaviour and how to recognise and manage stress These are important employability skills and learners who are able to acknowledge and demonstrate these skills are in a more favourable position when it comes to interviews and on the iob performance.

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