

What support does the academy offer for improving social and emotional development?

The social and emotional wellbeing of our pupils is a priority and we have worked to develop and maintain a strong community ethos.

We recognize that some children have extra emotional and social needs that need to be developed and nurtured. These needs can manifest themselves in a number of ways, including behavioural difficulties, anxiousness, and being uncommunicative.

All classes follow a structured PSHE (Personal, Social, Health and Economic education) curriculum to support this development. The SENDCO and Pupil Support Officer are also there to offer support and advice to both parents and pupils. If necessary, specific plans are put in place to support a child's wellbeing and in these cases parents are consulted.

All staff at Waddington Redwood Primary School endeavour to support all pupils socially and emotionally through

- Building up strong relationships with all pupils in order to support their emotional needs.
- A trained member of staff checks in whenever appropriate with the children.
- We have a weekly chatroom where children can discuss their concerns with a member of staff who has had counselling training.
- All incidents are communicated to the relevant members of staff and all staff work collaboratively to resolve any situation.
- We have a clear behaviour policy.
- All classes have a timetabled circle time to share experiences.
- We support our Forces families and children by running a weekly 'Social Circle' group for the children.
- The school council has 2 representatives in each class to listen to the views of the children.
- Interventions for social and emotional development are planned in KS1 and KS2 where ever appropriate.
- When necessary classes have worry monsters.
- Each class has a weekly circle time which incorporates sharing, turn taking and talking through worries or concerns.
- We have a whole school celebration assembly once a week.
- Every Friday afternoon the school has Golden Time.
- We have a Lunchtime Lounge which is open every day
- We have a variety of different social clubs that run during the week at lunch time and after school.