

## Sample answer: the role of PSHE and its link to the curriculum

1.

- PSHE as a core subject.
- Aims – to develop functional skills, self-help skills, independence and life skills, awareness of personal safety, coping with personal needs.
- Balance of time spent is individually planned.
- Integrated approaches – every moment is a learning opportunity rather than there being clear distinctions between time spent on academic work and care tasks.

2.

*(Clearly these could be wide-ranging but a few possible challenges are given below)*

- Children and staff spending most of the day in care activities, thus limiting access to the wider curriculum.
- Lack of focus on learning.
- Difficulties in assessing and demonstrating progress.
- Challenges for staff in delivering curriculum activities so individually while providing a social context for learning.
- Meeting complex needs in the context of a mainstream setting without CYP missing large parts of the curriculum.
- Staff concerns about Ofsted judgements related to curriculum and progress.