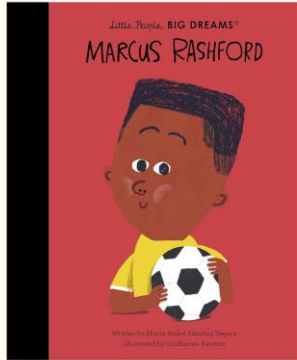




About

The Story Project is a programme that uses books to teach the 'PSHE' (Personal Social Health Economic) curriculum. Children read the stories as a class, talk about the themes and then take part in activities linked to the learning.

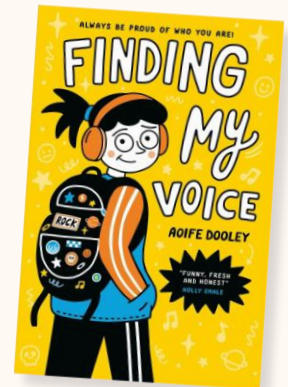


PSHE is a topic that supports children to understand themselves and those around them. It helps children develop skills and knowledge to keep themselves safe and promote happy, full lives. Using books to teach this is a proven way to promote open conversations; children learn through the eyes of the characters in the books. This makes complicated themes easy to understand and helps children understand other people's viewpoints.

Note: Schools can choose whether to teach Sex Education in Year 6. If they do so, families have the right to withdraw their children from these lessons if they wish. Please talk to your child's class teacher.

What children will learn about this year

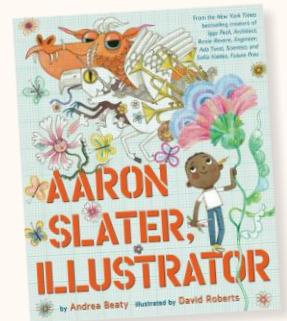
- Careers and future goals
- Racism and discrimination
- Online safety
- Gender equality
- Peer pressure
- Legal and illegal substances
- Water safety
- Celebrating our strengths and getting ready for secondary school
- *How babies are made (non-statutory sex education content, not taught in all schools)*



Supporting this learning at home

Here are some easy ways to support these topics at home:

- Talk to your child about their goals for Year 6. Can you create a plan together for how they will achieve their goals? What are they excited and/or nervous about this year?
- Think about other sporting figures or celebrities who have stood up for what they believe in. E.g. Pele, Nelson Mandela, Malala Yousafzai. There are lots of examples [here](#). Which one is your child's favourite?
- Create a [safety plan](#) together for how you will store medicines at home. Make sure children know the rules (e.g. not taking medicine without a trusted adult's permission).



Further Resources

Here are some similar books you could read at home:

- 'Malala's Magic Pencil' by Malala Yousafzai
- 'The Final Year' by Matt Goodfellow
- 'What do YOU think?' by Matthew Syed

Further support and guidance can be found at:

- [Talking to children about racism](#)
- [Talking to children about alcohol and drugs](#)
- [Resources for talking and sex and relationships with children](#)