



Case Study

Wonder Learning Partnership



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Wonder Learning Partnership brings together a family of six primary and secondary schools who are passionate about living its vision and values of educating, empowering, engaging, and enriching pupils, staff and each school community.

The East Riding-based partnership's mission is to build a Trust foundation ensuring that all its schools have the strategies, expertise and capacity they need to improve the education of our children. For the PSHE and RSE primary curriculum, Wonder has successfully adopted 1decision in Stamford Bridge Primary School and Melbourne Primary School (both for ages 3-11), and Pocklington Junior School (ages 7-11), bringing an effective Trust-wide approach.

As detailed on Wonder Learning Partnership's [website](#), the Trust offers "pupils a carefully planned programme using the 1decision scheme to teach PSHE and Relationship and Sex Education".

"A significant impact on our school"

The 1decision collaboration started following an introduction to Gareth Davies, who as Trust Head of Curriculum and Assessment facilitated the construction of the Trust primary curriculum, and meetings with colleagues provided a stepping stone to supporting schools.

Initially this began with Stamford Bridge Primary School in July 2022. Ailith Greening, the school's PSHE Lead, details their journey with 1decision.

"When I became PSHE Lead in 2021, our school's PSHE provision lacked consistency and cohesion," Ailith said. "The content we were teaching was pieced together from various sources, with no clear structure or assurance that it met DfE requirements. As a new subject lead, I felt quite lost with how to bring the subject to life in a meaningful and compliant way."

After undertaking research, Ailith arranged a meeting with Hayley Sherwood (1decision Founder and CEO). "Hayley was absolutely fantastic – informative, approachable and incredibly knowledgeable about all things PSHE, statutory guidance, and her team's brilliant scheme," she shared. "Her professionalism, alongside the clarity and structure of the resources, gave me immediate confidence. This initial communication and engagement were the main reasons we decided to trial the scheme, particularly as we are a school with split classes and needed something flexible yet robust."

Ailith continued: "From the moment we accessed the 1decision platform, it was clear how well organised and user-friendly it was. This made it easy for me – as both a teacher in my second year of teaching and a new subject lead – to deliver staff training and confidently introduce the scheme to my colleagues. The team took

to it straight away, appreciating how clearly it was structured and how engaging the materials were for our pupils. Since day one, every interaction I've had with 1decision has been friendly, professional and efficient. Their commitment to supporting schools truly shines through."

Since implementing 1decision, PSHE provision at Stamford Bridge has gone from strength to strength. "Feedback from pupils, staff and parents has been overwhelmingly positive," Ailith revealed. "Most importantly, the children respond brilliantly to the lessons and the approach. They are engaged, reflective, and able to make meaningful links between what they learn and their real-life experiences. Pupil voice continues to be incredibly positive. The children love the characters Deedee and Darlee and really connect with the video-based scenarios, which help them understand real-life situations they might one day face.

"Staff often comment on how easy the scheme is to use – it's flexible, adaptable and ready to go, saving so much preparation time. The videos are particularly powerful, promoting discussion, empathy and understanding. The topics are well-sequenced, and as a school we have been able to tailor the modules to suit our local context and children's needs. We also make excellent use of the assemblies and the new additions that come each year. We regularly analyse CPOMS data and use 1decision resources to address emerging needs or incidents within school, ensuring PSHE remains responsive and relevant. The training and update sessions that 1decision provides are invaluable – they keep me informed of national developments and changes without adding to my workload."

Ailith also reflected on 1decision's development since 2021 and praised the platform for its continuing innovation. "Over the past few years, I've seen the scheme grow and improve further, with thoughtful updates and new resources that keep it current and engaging," she said. "Most recently, the new PSHE and RSE updates have been fantastic. I was so impressed (and relieved!) that 1decision had already made the necessary changes ahead of the 2025-26 academic year. The summaries and explanations were clear, practical and supportive – once again saving valuable time while keeping us fully compliant."

She added: "As PSHE Lead, I now feel completely confident in the quality and consistency of our school's provision. I honestly cannot recommend 1decision enough. The scheme has transformed PSHE at our school and given me complete confidence as a subject lead. I'm proud to be part of the 1decision community and truly grateful for the positive impact it continues to have on our pupils, staff and school as a whole. Because of the significant impact the scheme has had in our school, our Trust made the decision to roll it out across two other schools. The 1decision team were incredibly accommodating and supportive of this transition, communicating clearly and efficiently throughout."

"High levels of engagement from the children"

Pocklington Junior School was the second Trust school to introduce 1decision, with implementation beginning in July 2023.

"As a school, we have been using 1decision for a number of years, and it has become a central and well-established part of our PSHE curriculum," explained Headteacher Kelly Foxtan. "Over time, we have seen consistently high levels of engagement from the children, who respond particularly well to the relatable scenarios and age-appropriate challenges presented within each unit. I believe this strong engagement stems from the relevance of the content, which reflects the real experiences, questions and social situations our pupils encounter daily. Staff frequently comment on how the up-to-date videos, interactive visuals, and modern design help sustain pupils' interest and make complex themes easier to understand.

"From a subject leadership perspective, the scheme offers a wealth of additional guidance and extension materials, which are invaluable when mapping out broader curriculum links – particularly those relating to British Values and the Protected Characteristics. This ensures our provision is not only comprehensive but also genuinely inclusive and reflective of statutory expectations. 1decision has proven to be a robust, flexible

and thoughtful resource that supports both teachers and pupils, and it is now firmly embedded in our practice. It is a great scheme – well used, well regarded and appreciated by all members of our school community.”

“Easy to use” scheme, developing staff confidence

Most recently, Melbourne Primary School introduced 1decision from July 2024 – and its impact has been felt by the children and teachers alike.

“We have enjoyed using the scheme and found it has covered all aspects of PSHE and RSE in a child friendly, but still real manner,” commented Abi Williams, EYFS Teacher, Early Years Lead, Early Reading Lead, Educational Visits Coordinator, and PSHE Lead. “The children love the scheme and enjoy the videos as stated during pupil voice. For example, one child said: ‘It makes it real, but if we make a mistake and make the wrong choice, it doesn’t matter.’

“Our teachers feel that the 1decision scheme is easy to use with resources there for them, children and staff feel confident in the discussions that arise, and agree that their views and ideas are validated in the session. The children say, ‘It will help us become better people.’”

“A coherent, Trust-wide approach that is fully aligned with statutory guidance”

For Wonder Learning Partnership, Gareth Davies (who is now also Trust Director of Secondary School Improvement Register) praised the long-standing relationship with 1decision and its strategic importance to the Trust.

“We believe that PSHE and RSE enables our pupils to develop knowledge, skills and attributes needed to manage balanced lives and to become healthy, independent and responsible members of society,” Gareth said. “Our curriculum intent is clear. Across our primary schools, we teach children about how society is organised and governed and we ensure that they experience the process of democracy in school through the school council. We want children to understand their rights and responsibilities as an individual and show empathy and understanding to others. In doing so, we help develop their sense of self-worth by encouraging them to play a positive role in school life and the wider community and prepare them for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of later life.

“Introducing 1decision across our three primary schools has had a transformational impact on PSHE and RSE provision across Wonder Learning Partnership. It has given us a coherent, Trust-wide approach that is fully aligned with statutory guidance, while remaining flexible enough to meet the needs of very different school communities. Staff confidence has grown significantly, workload has reduced, and subject leaders feel well supported. Most importantly, pupil engagement is consistently high – children relate to the scenarios, enjoy the discussions, and are developing the skills, understanding and values they need to navigate real-life situations with confidence. 1decision has strengthened both our curriculum and our culture.

“As a Trust, we particularly value the hypothetical situations explored through the video content in 1decision. The true measure of success in any PSHE curriculum is whether pupils can take what they learn and apply it confidently in the real world. The videos allow children to test out choices, reflect on consequences, and rehearse the kinds of decisions they may one day need to make. Just as importantly, they help pupils build empathy by seeing situations from someone else’s perspective. This combination of decision-making and emotional understanding is at the heart of what we want for all our children, and 1decision supports this exceptionally well.”

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