

## **Subject Department: Life and Society**

### **Our Mission:**

1. To arouse students' concern for the community in which they live and teach them to respect other people
2. To cultivate in students' sensitivity, interests and concern for local issues
3. To help students better understand China, recognize their national identity
4. To develop students to become informed and responsible citizens to contribute to the development of a caring and just society

### **Rationale:**

Learning and teaching are interactive processes; they involve complex and dynamic relationship between the individual learner, the teacher and the learning contexts. We believe that by adopting appropriate teaching approaches and strategies in suitable learning contexts, learners will be motivated to recognize their identities and roles in the family and the society and be able to develop an attitude of open-mindedness and respect for all peoples.

### **Long-term Plan:**

1. To nurture students' social competence
2. To enhance students' personal and civic values
3. To cultivate students' sense of national identity

### **Main Emphases in 2014/15:**

1. To develop students' questioning skills and enhance students' self-learning ability in exploring new issues
2. To broaden students' perspectives and heighten their social awareness
3. To develop students' positive values
4. To consolidate students' learning through outside-classroom subject-related activities