



Parent Consultation on Relationships and Sex Education March 2021

St Philip's CofE Primary School

Get the facts
on Relationships
and Sex Education

Common Principles

- We all want what is best for our children
- We want to protect children and to keep them safe
- We want children to be healthy and happy





Why the Curriculum is Changing....

- Today's children and young people are growing up in an increasingly complex world and living their lives seamlessly on and offline. This presents many positive and exciting opportunities, but also challenges and risks. In this environment, children and young people need to know how to be safe and healthy, and how to manage their academic, personal and social lives in a positive way.
- The Children and Social Work Act 2017 introduced a new legislation on Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education, and Health Education in Schools.
- Safeguarding Children is at the heart of Relationships and Sex Education.



Why is Relationships and Sex (RSE) Education in Schools Important?

- High quality RSE helps create safe school communities in which students can grow, learn, and develop positive, healthy behaviour for life, and for the following reasons:

RSE plays a vital part in schools fulfilling their statutory duties to protect and safeguard their students.

Ofsted is clear that schools must have a preventative programme that enables students to learn about safety and risks in relationships.





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- Schools maintain a statutory obligation under the Children Act (2004) to promote their students' wellbeing and under the Education Act (2002) to prepare children and young people for the challenges, opportunities and responsibilities of adult life. A comprehensive RSE programme can have a positive impact on students' health and wellbeing and their ability to achieve, and can play a crucial part in meeting these obligations.
- Technology is evolving at a tremendous pace. The need to protect children and young people from inappropriate online content, cyberbullying and exploitation is a growing concern. A comprehensive RSE programme can support in addressing these issues.



Relationships and Sex Education: Introduction

- Relationships education is compulsory for all primary age pupils and has been since September 2020.
- Health education will be compulsory for all pupils in all state funded schools.
- Teaching at school will complement (NOT REPLACE) and reinforce the lessons families teach their children as they grow up.
- At St Philip's, we aim to flexibly and inclusively deliver any content in a way that is age and developmentally appropriate with respect to the backgrounds and beliefs of pupils and parents while always with the aim of providing pupils with the knowledge they need of the law.





RSE Policy

- A draft RSE Policy has been drawn to reflect current statutory guidance including RSE curriculum offer.
- We will send out a copy of the policy with this power point.



Any questions?

- Any questions?
- On the website you will find some information to help you
- Please read the Frequently asked questions sheet
- Please read the parent information sheet
- Please read our draft RSE policy
- We will send out the Parent Consultation Questionnaire in a week's time please use it to add any feedback and share RSE curriculum queries.

