



Member of staff responsible: Headteacher

Statement of Policy

This policy has been formed to provide a framework for the development and the regulation of sex education within the school. It has been drawn up with due consideration to the requirements of the National Curriculum.

The policy validates the learning process for pupils and teachers within this curriculum area and informs parents about sex education within the school so that they may be able to comment constructively. The policy meets the requirement of governors to provide the policy framework for sex education.

This policy also allows for parents to withdraw their children from any or all parts of a school's programme of sex education, other than those elements, which are required by the Science curriculum.

Aims of Sex Education Policy

To gradually inform children of sexual matters and relationships clearly, honestly, but relative to their age and maturity set within a Christian framework.

Outline of Sex Education Programme

Sex Education is presented within the context of family life, loving relationships and respect for others.

Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1

Throughout the early stages the differences between the sexes and human reproduction are dealt with factually and honestly as they arise.

Animal and plant reproduction is covered in terms of development and growth, and by the studying of life cycles.

Key Stage 2

Human reproduction is covered by the Sex and Relationships Education PSHE topic and is supplemented by the "Living and Growing" resource and DVD

Equal Opportunities

Sex Education is offered to all children regardless of age, gender or ethnicity, and is subject to parental agreement.

Organisation of Sex Education

Teacher responsible

All class teachers are responsible for ensuring that appropriate aspects of Sex Education are presented to their pupils honestly, openly and in a spirit of respect.

Classroom Arrangements

Sex Education is taught as one aspect of the PSHE scheme of work and therefore, at Key Stage 2 is not segregated by age. All health education is covered within mixed sex groups, except sometimes when discussing the hygiene aspect of puberty. This is sometimes presented within single sex groups of Year 5/6 and would normally be the responsibility of the class teacher. Parents are informed in advance by letter when the sex education sessions are about to occur and are invited to talk about aspects of this with the class teacher and view the materials used in class. 2

Resources

All resources are scrutinised by the whole staff and the Governor responsible for Sex Education with a view to their appropriateness for a particular age range and to ensure that matters are handled in a sensitive fashion concordant with the stated ethical and Christian framework of the school.

Child Withdrawal Procedure

Parents wishing to withdraw their child from Sex Education should inform the Headteacher of their decision in writing. No reason need be given, nor is it necessary to indicate what other arrangements have been made for providing Sex Education for their child. This request will be complied with until the parents change or revoke it.

Policy Monitoring and Evaluation

The policy will be reviewed every 2 years.

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