



Celebrating 'life in all its fullness' John 10:10

Relationship and Sex Education Policy

Introduction:

This policy should be taken and used as part of the Collaboration of East Harptree & Ubley Church of England Schools' overall strategy and implemented within the context of our Christian values and Vision Statements:

'East Harptree Church of England School aims to encourage each child to dream, believe, achieve together.'

'Ubley Church of England School aims to equip each child to be caring, capable and confident in an ever-changing world.'

Rationale:

We have based our policy upon the updated DfE Guidance (2010) *'Sex and Relationships Education Guidance to Schools'*. We believe it is essential for pupils to develop caring and responsible attitudes and relationships with each other and be aware of both the physical and emotional changes they will experience as they grow up.

Aims:

We aim to:

- Provide relationship and sex education that focuses on caring relationships and is sensitive to the needs of the children.
- Deliver a broad and balanced relationship and sex education programme to all pupils in line with recommendations from the Local Authority.
- Foster a positive self image.
- Support the physical, moral and emotional development of the pupils.
- Focus upon the importance of loving, stable relationships.
- Teach the pupils about how humans reproduce.
- Ensure that pupils know what they should do if they are worried about relationship or sex issues.

Guidelines:

- Relationship and Sex education is taught across the school through the teaching of personal, social and health education (PSHE) and Science.
- The school nurse assists with the teaching of Relationship and Sex education as appropriate.
- Individual teachers will use their skill and discretion when answering difficult or explicit questions and will refer to the Headteacher and parents as appropriate.
- Parents' consent will be sought in advance of the Y5/6 programme being taught.
- Parents will be offered the option to review the resources.
- Parents have the right to withdraw their child from Relationship and Sex education.
- The school's Relationship and Sex education policy will be available to view on the website.

Conclusion:

Through relationship and sex education we will emphasise the importance of caring relationships, the values of family life and respect for oneself and others.

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