

Queen's Park C.E./U.R.C Primary School
Relationships and Sex Education Policy
(RSE)

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# Our vision for Queen's Park C.E./U.R.C. Primary School

# Tagether, we believe, achieve and enjoy

Through our vision, we serve our community by providing an inclusive, happy, secure and caring Christian environment where all are valued and respected. We believe that God loves all his children unconditionally and values the uniqueness of the individual and recognise the diversity and range of contributions that each child can make.

Following the Church of England's Vision for Education 'Life in all its fullness' John 10:10, we provide a high-quality education within a creative, stimulating, encouraging and mutually supportive environment where children are enabled to develop the skills they require to become successful.

#### Our Core Christian Values

Love

#### Forgiveness

Trust

Respect

Honesty

Hope

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# 1. Statutory Regulation and Guidance

- 1.1 At Queen's Park CE/URC Primary School, we are required to provide relationships education and health education to all pupils.
- 1.2 We are not required to provide sex education, but we do need to teach the elements of sex education contained in the science curriculum.
- 1.3 The policy has due regard to the following legislation and guidance:
  - Section 80A of the Education Act 2002: as part of the Education
    Act 2002/Academies Act 2010 all schools must provide a balanced
    and broad-based curriculum which promotes the spiritual, moral,
    cultural, mental and physical development of pupils at the school
    and of society, whilst also preparing pupils for the opportunities,
    responsibilities and experiences of later life.
  - Children and Social Work Act 2017
  - The Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education and Health Education (England) Regulations 2019
  - Equality Act 2010 and the Public Sector Equality Duty.
  - Mental health and behaviour in school (DfE, 2018)

- Science programmes of study: key stages I and 2 (DfE, 2013)
- · Science programmes of study: key stage 3 (DfE, 2013)
- Keeping children safe in education for schools and colleges (DfE, 2022)
- · Promoting fundamental British values through SMSC (DfE, 2014

# 2. Definitions

- 2.1 The DfE guidance states that "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". Relationship and sex education develops the pupil's knowledge and understanding of their own sexuality, about what it means to be fully human, how to cultivate healthy relationships with themselves and others, and enables them to make well informed decisions in good conscience.
- 2.2 In primary schools the focus should be on "teaching the fundamental building blocks and characteristics of positive relationships, with particular reference to friendships, family relationships, and relationships with other children and with adults". This would include the topics of families and 'the people who care for me', caring friendships, respectful relationships, online relationships and being safe.

# 2.3 Definition of terms:

RSHE: Relationships, sex, and health education

**Health education**: physical health and mental wellbeing, the link between the two, and being able to make healthy lifestyle choices.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) and Health Education: Statutory guidance for governing bodies, proprietors, head teachers, principals, senior leadership teams, teachers Page 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ibid page 19

**Relationships education**: the physical, social, legal and emotional aspects of human relationships including friendships, family life and relationships with other children and adults.

Sex education: there is no agreed definition in the new guidance.

RSE: Relationships, and Sex education

**PSHE**: Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education. The RSHE policy may link to, or be part of, a wider PSHE ed policy.

DSL: Designated Safeguarding Lead

DJE: Department for Education

# 3. Delivering the policy

- 3.1 Relationship and Sex Education (RSE) is taught within the Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) curriculum lessons.
- 3.2 There are links between some of the RSHE curriculum and other subjects such as Science and Physical Education, so aspects of the curriculum may be touched on in other lessons.

#### Our RSE

- 3.3 Relationships education focuses on teaching the fundamental building blocks and characteristics of positive relationships including:
  - Families and people who care for me.
  - Caring friendships.
  - Respectful relationships.
  - Online relationships,
  - Being safe.
- 3.4 These areas of learning are taught within the context of family life with a focus on inclusion to reduce prejudice. As such there is the acknowledgement of the variety of home circumstance that make healthy

families (including single parent families, LGBT+ parents, families headed by grandparents, adoptive parents, foster parents/carers amongst other structures), along with reflecting sensitively that some children may have a support structure around them (for example: looked after children or young carers).

- 3.5 As a school, we promote equality of opportunity and we uniformly apply values of inclusion and respect to all pupils and their families. All staff are proactive in promoting positive relationships and receive regular training.
- 3.6 At Queen's Park, we value the diversity in our pupils cultural and religious backgrounds. Relationship and Sex education contributes to our pupil's education around inclusion and respect, consequently we are aware of the need to be respectful of our pupils cultural or religious beliefs and sensitive in delivering certain topics.
- 3.7 Queen's Park, aims to create a learning environment that is accessible to all of our students. In order to ensure this, we will make sure that the content is relevant to the age, experience, maturity and individual needs of our pupils.

# 4. Policy Development

- 4.1 The process of policy development involves a number of steps. To begin with, a lead member of staff and/or RSHE working group reviews the current provision, and all school staff are given the apportunity to look at the policy and make recommendations.
- 4.2 Our RSE curriculum is informed by issues in the school and wider community; to ensure it is tailored to pupils' needs we investigate what pupils want from their Relationship, Sex, and Health Education. Furthermore, when organising the curriculum, the religious backgrounds of

all pupils are considered so that we may deliver the curriculum with sensitivity.

- 4.3 At At Queen's Park, we ensure that parents are consulted in the development and review of policy, as we understand how important parents' views are in shaping the curriculum.
- 4.4 A draft policy is considered by the Governing Board then ratified (adopted) by the Governing Board. At which point we share the finished policy with parents, and ensure it is available on the school website.

#### Consultation with parents

- 4.5 Queen's Park, understands the important role parents play in enhancing their children's understanding of relationships, sex and health. We work closely with parents by establishing open communication, all parents are consulted in the development and delivery of the curriculum.
- 4.6 Parents are provided with the following information:
  - The content of the relationships, sex and health curriculum
  - The delivery of the relationships, sex and health curriculum, including what is taught in each year group
  - The legalities surrounding withdrawing their child from the subjects
  - · how to support/complement RSHE teaching in schools
  - how to request a child is withdrawn from some or all of sex education delivered as part of statutory RSHE.
- 4.7 At Queen's Park, aims to build positive relationships with parents by inviting discussion to address any concerns and supporting parents in managing conversations with their children on the issues covered by the curriculum.
- 4.8 Parents are also consulted in the review of the curriculum and this policy and are encouraged to provide their views at any time.

- 4.9 The relationship, sex, and health curriculum considers the views of teachers, pupils and parents. We are dedicated to ensuring our curriculum is age-appropriate for pupils within each year group and meets the needs of the whole-school community.
- 4.10 We consult with parents, pupils, and staff in the following ways:
  - · Questionnaires and surveys
  - Training sessions
  - Newsletters and letters
- 4.11 Any parent, teacher or pupil wishing to provide feedback about the curriculum can do so at any time during the academic year by: Organising a meeting with the headteacher.
  - Emailing queenspark@sthelens.org.uk
  - Submitting written feedback as part of annual questionnaires

# 5. Statement of Intent

- 5.1 At Queen's Park, we understand that pupils must be provided with an education that prepares them for the opportunities, responsibilities, and experiences of adult life. A key part of this relates to relationships and health education.
- 5.2 Primary schools also have the option to decide whether pupils are taught sex education beyond statutory requirements (based in the science curriculum).
- 5.3 Relationships education focusses on giving pupils the knowledge they need to make informed decisions about their relationships, with the ability to recognise healthy and respectful relationships and the knowledge of where to find, and access, help and support.

- 5.4 RSHE will ensure that all pupils understand the importance of equality and respect by teaching pupil's tolerance and respect for diversity, and developing pupils' self-respect and self-worth, confidence, and empathy.
- 5.5 All schools are required to comply with the requirements of the Equality Act 2010.
- 5.6 Health education focusses on equipping pupils with the knowledge they need to make good decisions about their own health and wellbeing.
- 5.7 We understand our responsibility to deliver a high-quality relationship, and health curriculum for all our pupils based on best practice.
- 5.8 This policy sets out the framework for our RSHE curriculum, outlining how it is informed, organised, and delivered.

# 6. Roles and Responsibilities

#### 6.1 SENCO

Are primarily responsible for advising teachers on how best to identify and support pupils' need (including the use of teaching assistants/support staff)

# 6.2 Governing Body

The governing board will approve the RSE policy and hold the headteacher to account for its implementation. They ensure that the policy is available to parents and policy is in accordance with other whole school policies, [e.g., SEN, the ethos of the school and our Christian beliefs;] as well as the relevant National Curriculum science topics and the setting of RSE within PSHE

#### 6.3 The Head Teacher

The Head Teacher takes overall delegated responsibility for the development and implementation of this policy. They should liaise with the Governing

Body, parents, the Local Education Authority, and appropriate agencies. Any requests to withdraw pupils from the non-statutory element of Relationship and Sex Education will be managed by the head teacher, and they will also encourage parents to engage with the formation of the policy and know about the final policy.

The head teacher agrees the curriculum delivery model (where it will be taught; the time allocation and staffing) and ensures that RSHE is resourced, staffed and timetabled so that school meets its legal obligations and offers a high-quality provision to all pupils. This includes enabling staff to be suitably trained to teach relationships and sex education. They will report to the governing board on the implementation and effectiveness of the policy and review the policy on an annual basis.

# 6.4 PSHE/RSE Co-Ordinator

The co-ordinator with the head teacher has a general responsibility for supporting other members of staff in the implementation of this policy and will provide a lead in the dissemination of the information relating to RSE and the provision of in-service training. (They may be supported by the curriculum deputy and the member of staff with responsibility for child protection).

# 6.5 Lead teacher for RSHE

The lead teacher will support the development and implementation of the RSHE policy, curriculum and delivery model. They are responsible for ensuring the continuity and progression between each year group by working with other teachers (include subjects leads) to ensure the RSE curriculum complements but does not duplicate any content in other subjects. The lead will organise, provide and monitor CPD to enable teachers to develop their expertise so they feel confident and competent to teach RSE. They will also provide teachers with resources to support RSE delivery

and monitor/ evaluate the effectiveness of RSE and offering support to staff if needed. The lead will feedback to the headteacher/governing board regarding compliance with the statutory requirements and effectiveness of the RSE curriculum.

#### 6.6 RSE Teachers

Staff do not have the right to opt out of teaching RSHE as this forms part of the Teaching Standards. Any staff who have concerns about teaching RSHE are encouraged to discuss this with the headteacher. Appropriate training will be made available for all staff teaching RSE. All staff have been included in the development of this policy and all staff should be aware of the policy and how it relates to them.

# RSE Teachers are responsible for:

- Delivering RSHE with sensitivity
- Knowing and acting in accordance with the RSE policy
- Modelling positive attitudes to RSHE.
- Responding to the needs of individual pupils
- Responding appropriately to pupils whose parents wish them to be withdrawn from the non-statutory components of RSE.
- Teaching should reflect the law (including the Equality Act 2010) as it applies to sex and relationships
- Carefully considering how their personal views and/or beliefs might impact on their teaching of RSHE
- Monitoring pupil progress in line with school policy
- Working with the SENCO about identifying and responding to the needs of pupils with SEND

# 6.7 All Staff

RSE is a whole school issue. All teachers have a responsibility of care; as well as fostering academic progress they should actively contribute to the guardianship and guidance of the physical, moral and spiritual] well-being of their pupils.

# 6.8 Pupils

Pupils are expected to engage fully in RSHE and, when discussing issues related to RSHE, treat others with dignity, respect, and sensitivity.

- 7. Safeguarding: safe and effective practice
- 7.1 Here at Queen's Park, we recognise that there are a range of opinions, beliefs, and perspectives in regard to Relationships and Sex Education (RSE). Our role in school is not to influence or judge individual belief, but rather to teach the RSE curriculum "in a factual way so that pupils are clear on their rights and responsibilities as citizens3".
- 7.2 Queen's Park also recognises that Relationships and Sex Education is about the understanding of physical development and puberty, appropriate and inappropriate sexual behaviour, and the protection and empowerment of children and young people.
- 7.3 RSE integrates safeguarding into the learning objective of the lesson, and we aim to provide our children with the knowledge to ensure that they are not exploited or mistreated and that children have a clear understanding around consent and keeping themselves safe.
- 7.4 Relationships and Sex Education is fundamental in keeping our children and young people safe. It plays a vital part in preventative education. It is our responsibility to ensure that pupils are informed about the full range

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) and Health Education, p.26, para. 76

of perspectives, risks, and rights, so they are able to make informed decisions that will help to keep them safe.

The school's Relationships and Sex Education Policy is directly linked to the school's Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy and Keeping Children Safe in Education 2022

See further details in Appendix 5.

- 8. Equality and Inclusion
- 8.1 We will ensure all resources and images used are inclusive of all pupils e.g. including those in wheelchairs or wearing hearing aids. This is part of our general inclusive approach to RSE (and in other subjects and within the whole-school) and images will represent SEND, LGBT+, a range of ethnicities, and all the protected characteristics.
- 8.2 Our choice of images and characterisation will reinforce the message that human sexuality is a positive thing and that no-one is excluded from that.
- 8.3 Materials will be available in appropriate learning media including tactile diagrams and physical materials when required.
- 8.4 Our teaching of RSE will take account of all our pupil's needs, culture, development and views.
- 8.5 We are aware of language used in RSE and will ensure that it is inclusive.
- 9. RSE teaching of children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (links to Statutory Policy on SEND)
- 9.1 Appropriate RSE will be provided for pupils at all levels of development. There may be a need for us to tailor content and teaching to meet the specific needs of pupils at different developmental stages.
- 9.2 RSE is most effective when delivered through a whole school approach. For pupils with SEND, this means we will be working continuously through informal opportunities as well as the formal RSE curriculum.

- 9.3 All staff will be actively involved in offering consistent messages around RSE from teachers to lunchtime supervisors to travel supervisors/
- 9.4 The pace and detail of topics may be different and pupils may need lots of support to generalise their learning autside of RSE lessons and support to personalise the learning to their own relationships, behaviours and maturation. It may be appropriate to revisit topics more frequently with our pupils with SEND to support 'overlearning' (i.e. practising and embedding the new skills, so the learner retains the learning beyond the initial success and develops mastery) for new and abstract topics.
- 9.5 We acknowledge the greater vulnerability to bullying, exploitation and other issues for pupils with SEND and they will have greater need to be informed and supported in RSE.
- 9.6 For pupils with more significant needs, their particular RSE needs may helpfully be assessed as part of an Education Health Care (EHC) needs assessment, with provision to meet those needs set out in their EHC plan. Specific reference to Preparing for Adulthood and RSE will be part of Y9 (and onwards) EHCP reviews.
- 9.7 For pupils with Autistic Spectrum Disorders or Conditions: Sometimes their academic capabilities mask their social and emotional needs. Although they may understand the concrete information, work about relationships, consent and understanding risk and coercion can be very challenging for some young people on the spectrum. Individual sessions or small group provision in addition to mainstream classes will be beneficial to address this. There is likely to be a higher incidence of 'social masking' and this will be taken into consideration when evaluating the effectiveness of our teaching and whether our pupils have understood the nuances of social and appropriate intimate relationships.

- 9.8 For pupils with Physical Disabilities: Their disability may impact an every aspect of an individual's life including how they socialise, develop relationships and have sex. Pupils with physical disability may have to find different ways to communicate, take part in learning and everyday activities: including making friends and socialising with others. They may have anxiety about a different body shape or image, worry about how their body works and what others may think. They may not have the opportunity to talk about these things with others with similar needs. Sometimes we may need to ask the family to seek medical advice to share as appropriate with the school to aid the planning and delivery of RSE with the consent of the young person.
- 9.9 Our parents and carers of pupils with SEND may face challenging issues at home that are relevant to RSE. Parents will appreciate information about what we are providing in RSE and may value opportunities for further discussion and support.
- 9.10 All our teaching approaches will take account of the pupil's individual needs and be differentiated accordingly. These are detailed in the pupil's One Page Profile/IPPs
- 9.11 More detailed teaching approaches for SEND can be found here <a href="https://www.sexeducationforum.org.uk/sites/default/files/field/attachment/RSE%20for%20disabled%20pupils%20and%20pupils%20with%20SEN%20-%20SEF.pdf">https://www.sexeducationforum.org.uk/sites/default/files/field/attachment/RSE%20for%20disabled%20pupils%20and%20pupils%20with%20SEN%20-%20SEF.pdf</a> More resources can be found in Appendix 6.
- 9.12 All statutory school policies must link to each other and specifically reference SEND, Equality, Behaviour and Safeguarding and Child Protection.
- 10. Parental right to excuse a pupil from sex education
- 10.1 Parents are not able to withdraw their child from any aspect of relationships education or health education (which includes learning about

the changing adolescent body, puberty, and menstruation) or any content delivered through the national curriculum science programme.

- 10.2 Parents have the right to request that their child be withdrawn from sex education, except those topics that are a part of the science curriculum.
- 10.3 Their request will be granted automatically by the headteacher. The parents will also be invited to meet with the headteacher to discuss the benefits of receiving this important education and any detrimental effects that withdrawal might have on the child.
- 10.4 Where a pupil is withdrawn from sex education, the headteacher will ensure that the pupil receives appropriate alternative education.

# 11. Training

- II.I All staff members at the school will undergo training to ensure they are up to date with the relationship, sex and health education programme and associated challenges.
- 11.2 Members of staff responsible for teaching the subjects will undergo further training, led by the relationships, sex and health education subject leader, to ensure they are fully equipped to teach the subjects effectively.
- 11.3 The training of staff will also be scheduled around any updated guidance on the programme and any new developments.

# 12. Monitoring and evaluation

- 12.1 The delivery of RSHE is monitored by Amy Knockton and Ann Roby with responsibility for PSHCE by undertaking learning walks, staff, and pupil consultations, planning and work scrutinies and questionnaires.
- 12.2 The RSE Co-ordinator will monitor the provision of the various dimensions of the programme by examining plans, schemes of work and samples of pupils work at regular intervals.
- 12.3 The programme will be evaluated biannually by means of:

- · questionnaires
- response sheets
- needs assessment given to pupils
- discussion with pupils, staff, and parents.
- 12.4 The results of the evaluation should be reported to these groups of interested parties and their suggestions sought for improvements.
- 12.5 Governors will consider all such evaluations and suggestions before amending the policy. Governors remain ultimately responsible for the policy.
- 12.6 The RSHE subject leader is responsible for monitoring the quality of teaching by conducting subject assessments on a termly basis, which will include a mixture of the following:
  - Self-evaluations
  - Lesson observations
  - Topic feedback forms
  - · Learning walks
  - Work scruting
  - Lesson planning scruting
- 12.7 From these assessments the RSHE subject leader will create annual subject reports for the headteacher and governing board to report on the quality of the subjects.
- 12.8 Throughout the academic year the RSHE subject lead will work consistently with the headteacher and RSE link governor to evaluate the effectiveness of the subjects and implement any changes.
- 13. Policy review
- 13.1 The governing board is responsible for approving this policy.

- 13.2 The policy will be reviewed on an annual basis by the RSHE subject lead and the headteacher. The next scheduled review date for this policy is September 2022
- 13.3 This policy will also be reviewed in consideration of any changes to statutory guidance, feedback from parents, staff or pupils, and the school context.
- 13.4 Changes will be communicated to all staff and parents and approved by the Governing board.

# Appendices

Appendix 1: Statutory Sex Education

Sex education

All pupils must be taught the aspects of sex education outlined in the science curriculum; this includes teaching about the main external parts of the human body, how it changes as it grows from birth to old age, including puberty, and the reproductive process in some plants and animals.

Queen's Park, is free to determine whether pupils should be taught sex education beyond what is required of the national curriculum. At our school, we do teach pupils sex education beyond what is required of the science curriculum.

Parents are fully consulted in the organisation and delivery of our sex education curriculum and are given the opportunity to advise on what should be taught through sex education. The age and development of pupils is always considered when delivering sex education.

#### Key Stage 1

- 1. that animals including humans, move, feed, grow, use their senses and reproduce
- 2. to recognise and compare the main external parts of the bodies of humans
- 3. that humans and animals can produce offspring and these grow into adults
- 4. to recognise similarities and differences between themselves and others and treat others with sensitivity

# Key Stage 2

2. about the main stages of the human life cycle	2. about the main stages of the human life cycle		that the life processes common to humans and other animals include nutrition, growth and reproduction
		2.	about the main stages of the human life cycle

# Appendix 2: The details of the RSE curriculum at Queen's Park C.E. /URC Primary School

Relationships											
	Overview										
EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6					
Children are	Children's breadth	Learning about	children revisit	Learning in this year	Children learn about	children learn					
introduced to the	of relationships is	family relationships	family relationships	group starts focussing on	the importance of	more about mental					
key relationships in	widened to include	widens to include	and identify the	the emotional aspects of	self-esteem and ways	health and how					
their lives. They	people they may	roles and	different	relationships and	this can be boosted.	to take care of					
learn about families	find in their school	responsibilities in a	expectations and	friendships. With this in	This is important in	their own mental					
and the different	community. They	family and the	roles that exist	mind, children explore	an online context as	well-being. They					
roles people can	consider their own	importance of co-	within the family	jealousy and loss/	well as offline, as	explore the grief					
have in a family.	significant	operation,	home. They identify	bereavement. They identify	mental health can be	cycle and its					
They explore the	relationships	appreciation and	why stereotypes	the emotions associated	damaged by excessive	various stages,					
friendships they	(family, friends	trust. Friendships	can be unfair and	with these relationship	comparison with	and discuss the					
have and what	and school	are also revisited	may not be	changes, the possible	others. This leads	different causes of					
makes a good	community) and	with a focus on	accurate, e.g. Mum	reasons for the change	onto a series of	grief and loss.					
friend. They are	why these are	falling out and	is the carer, Dad	and strategies for coping	lessons that allow	The children learn					
introduced to	special and	mending	goes to work. They	with the change. The	the children to	about people who					
simple strategies	important. As part	friendships. This	also look at	children learn that change	investigate and reflect	can try to control					
they can use to	of the lessons on	becomes more	careers and why	is a natural in	upon a variety of	them or have					
mend friendships.	healthy and safe	formalised and the	stereotypes can be	relationships and they	positive and negative	power over them.					
	relationships,	children learn and	unfair in this	will experience (or may	online/social media	They investigate					
	children learn that	practise two	context. They learn	have already experienced)	contexts including	online safety,					
	touch can be used	different strategies	that families	some of these changes.	gaming and social	learning how to					
	in kind and unkind	for conflict	should be founded	Children revisit skills of	networking. They	judge if something					
	ways. This	resolution (Solve it	on love, respect,	negotiation particularly to	learn about age-limits	is safe and					
	supports later work	together and	appreciation, trust	help manage a change in	and also age-	helpful, as well					
	on safeguarding.	Mending	and co-operation.	.a relationship. They also	appropriateness.	as talking about					
	Pupils also	Friendships).	Children are	learn that sometimes it is	Within these lessons,	communicating					
	consider their own	Children consider	reminded about the	better if relationships end,	children are taught	with friends and					
	personal attributes	the importance of	Solve it together	especially if they are	the SMARRT internet	family in a					
	as a friend, family	trust in	technique for	causing negative feelings	safety rules and they	positive and safe					
	member and as	relationships and	negotiating conflict	or they are unsafe.	apply these in	way.					
	part of a	what this feels like.	situations and the	Children are taught that	different situations.						

	cammunity, and are encouraged to celebrate these.	They also learn about two types of secret, and why 'worry secrets' should always be shared with a trusted adult. Children reflect upon different types of physical contact in relationships, which are acceptable and which ones are not. They practise strategies for being assertive when someone is hurting them or being unkind. The children also learn about people who can help them if they are worried or scared.	concept of a win- win outcome is introduced.  Online relationships through gaming and apps are explored and children are introduced to some rules for staying safe online. Children also learn that they are part of a global community and they are connected to others they don't know in many ways, e.g. through global trade. They investigate the wants and needs of other children who are less fortunate and compare these with their own. Children's universal rights are also revisited.	relationship endings can be amicable.	Risk, pressure and influences are revisited with a focus on the physical and emotional aspects of identifying when something online or in social media feels uncomfortable or unsafe. Children are taught about grooming and how people online can pretend to be whoever they want. Rights, responsibilities and respect are revisited with an angle on technology use. Screen time is also discussed and children find ways to reduce their own screen time. This Puzzle aims to help children to be more discerning when viewing anything online or on social media.	
	Taught Know	rledge and Soc	cial and Emoti	onal Skills (key lea	rning in bold)	
Knaw what a family is	Know that everyone's family	Know that there are lots of forms	Know that different family members	Know some reasons why people feel jealousy	Know that there are rights and	Know that it is important to take
Know that different	is different	of physical contact	carry out different	Know that loss is a	responsibilities in an	care of their own
people in a family	Know that families	within a family	roles or have	normal part of	arline community ar	mental health
have different	are founded on	Know how to stay	different	relationships	social network	Know ways that
responsibilities	belanging, lave	stop if someone is	responsibilities.	Know that negative	Know that there are	they can take care
(jobs) <b>Know some of the</b>	and care	hurting them	within the family	feelings are a normal part of loss	rights and	of their own mental health

characteristics of	Know that	Know there are	Know some of the	Know that sometimes it is	responsibilities when	Know the stages
healthy and safe	physical contact	good secrets and	skills of friendship,	better for a	playing a game online	of grief and that
friendships	can be used as a	warry secrets and	e.g. taking turns,	friendship/relationship to	Know that too much	there are different
Know that friends	greeting	why it is important	being a good	end if it is causing	screen time isn't	types of loss that
sometimes fall out	Know how to	to share warry	listener	negative feelings or is	healthy	cause people to
Know some ways	make a friend	secrets	Know some	unsafe	Know how to stay	grieve
to mend a	Know who to ask	Know what trust	strategies for	Know that jealousy can	safe when using	Know that
friendship	for help in the	is	keeping themselves	be damaging to	technology to	sometimes people
Know that unkind	school community	Know that	safe online	relationships	cammunicate with	can try to gain
wards can never	Know that there	everyone's family is	Know that they	Know that memories can	friends	power or control
be taken back and	are lots of different	different	and all children	support us when we lose	Know that a	them
they can hurt	types of families	Know that families	have rights	a special person or	personality is made	Know some of the
Know how to use	Know the	function well when	(UNCRC)	animal	up of many different	dangers of being
Know some	characteristics of	there is trust,	Know that gender		characteristics,	'anline'
reasons why others	healthy and safe	respect, care, love	stereotypes can be		qualities and	
get angry	friends	and co-operation	unfair, e.g. Mum is		attributes	Know how to use
	· ·	Know some	always the carer,		Know that belonging	technology safely
	Know about the	reasons why	Dad always goes		to an online	and positively to
	different people in	friends have	to work etc		community can have	communicate with
	the school	conflicts	Know how some of		positive and negative	their friends and
	community and	Know that	the actions and		consequences	family
	how they help	friendships have	work of people		•	
		ups and downs	around the world			
		and sometimes	help and influence			
		change with time	my life			
		Know how to use	Know the lives of			
		the Mending	children around the			
		Friendships or	world can be			
		Solve it together	different from their			
		problem-solving	own			
		methods				
Can identify what	Can express how	Can identify the	Can identify the	Can identify feelings and	Can suggest strategies	Recognise that
jobs they do in	it feels to be part	different roles and	responsibilities they	emotions that accompany	for building self-	people can get
their family and	of a family and to	responsibilities in	have within their	jealousy	esteem of themselves	problems with
those carried out	care far family	their family	family	Can suggest positive	and others	their mental health
by parents/carers	members	Can recognise the	Know how to	strategies for managing	Can identify when an	and that it is
and siblings	Can say what	value that families	access help if they	jealousy	online	nothing to be
Can suggest ways	being a good	can bring	are concerned	Can identify people who	.community/social	ashamed of
to make a friend	friend means	Can recognise and	about anything on	are special to them and	media group feels	Can help
ar help sameane		talk about the types	social media or the	express why	risky, uncamfartable,	themselves and
who is lanely		of physical contact	internet		or unsafe	others when

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Can use different	Can identify forms	that is acceptable	Can empathise with	Can identify the feelings	Can suggest strategies	worried about a
ways to mend a	of physical contact	ar unacceptable	people from other	and emotions that	for staying safe	mental health
friendship	they prefer	Can identify the	countries who may	accompany loss	online/social media	problem
Can recognise what	Can say no when	negative feelings	not have a fair job	Can suggest strategies for	Can say how to	Recognise when
being angry feels	they receive a	associated with	or are less	managing loss	repart unsafe	they are feeling
like	touch they don't	keeping a warry	fortunate	Can tell you about	anline/social network	grief and have
	like	secret	Understand that	someone they no longer	activity	strategies to
Can use Calm Me	Can show skills of	Can identify who	they are connected	See	Can identify when an	marage them
when angry or	friendship	they trust in their	to the global	Can suggest ways to	anline game is safe	Demonstrate ways
upset	Can praise	own relationships	community in many	manage relationship	or unsafe	they could stand
	themselves and	Can use positive	different ways	changes including how to	Can suggest ways to	up for themselves
	others	problem-solving	Can use Solve it	negatiate	monitor and reduce	and their friends
	Can recognise	techniques (Mending	together in a		screen time	in situations
	some of their	Friendships or	conflict scenario		Can suggest strategies	where others are
	personal qualities	Solve it together) to	and find a win-win		for managing	trying to gain
	Can say why they	resolve a friendship	outcome		unhelpful pressures	power or control
	appreciate a special	conflict	Can identify		anline ar in sacial	Can resist
	relationship	Can identify the	similarities in		networks	pressure to do
		feelings associated	children's rights			something anline
		with trust	around the world			that might hurt
		Can give and	Can identify their			themselves .or
		receive compliments	own wants and			others
		Can say who they	needs and how			Can take
		would go to for	these may be			responsibility for
		help if they were	similar or different			their own safety
		worried or scared	from other children			and well-being
			in school and the			
			global community			
		Va	ocabulary Prog	ression		
EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
	Consolidate EYFS	Consolidate EYFS &	Consolidate KSI	Consolidate KSI & Yr 3	Consolidate KSI. Yrs	Consolidate KSI &
	277.0	Yr I			3 & 4	KS2
Family, Jobs,	Belang, Same,	Similarities, Special,	Men, Women,	Relationship, Close,	Personal attributes,	Mental health,
Relationship, Friend,	Different,	Important, Co-	Unisex, Male,	Jealousy, Emotions,	Qualities,	Ashamed, Stigma,
Lonely, Argue, Fall-	Friendship,	operate, Physical	Female, Stereotype,	Positive, Negative, Loss,	Characteristics, Self-	Stress, Anxiety,
out, Words,	Qualities, Caring,	contact,	Career, Job, Role,	Shock, Disbelief, Numb,	esteem, Unique,	Support, Worried,
Feelings, Angry,	Sharing, Kind,	Communication,	Responsibilities,	Denial, Guilt, Sadness,	Comparison, Negative	Signs, Warning,
Upset, Calm me,	Greeting, Touch,	Hugs, Acceptable,	Respect, Differences,	Pain, Despair, Hope,	self-talk, Social	Self-harm,
Breathing	Feel, Texture, Like,	Not acceptable,	Similarities,	Souvenir, Memento,	media, Online,	Emotions,
2	Dislike, Help,	Conflict, Point of	Conflict, Win-win,	Memorial, Acceptance,	Community, Positive,	Feelings, Sadness,
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Helpful,	view, Positive	Solution, Solve-it-	Relief, Remember,	Negative, Safe,	Loss, Grief,
Community,	problem solving,	together, Problem-	Negotiate, Compromise,	Unsafe, Rights, Social	Denial, Despair,
Canfidence, Praise,	Secret, Surprise,	solve, Internet,	Loyal, Empathy, Betrayal,	network, Violence,	Guilt, Shock,
Skills, Self-belief,	Good secret, Worry	Social media,	Amicable, Love.	Grooming, Troll,	Hopelessness,
Incredible, Proud,	secret, Telling,	Online, Risky,		Gambling, Betting,	Anger,
Celebrate,	Adult, Trust,	Gaming, Safe,		Trustworthy,	Bereavement,
Relationships,	Happy, Sad,	Unsafe, Private		Appropriate, Screen	Coping strategies,
Special, Appreciate	Frightened, Trust,	messaging (pm),		time, Physical health,	Power, Control,
	Trustworthy,	Direct messaging		Mental health, Off-	Authority,
	Honesty, Reliability,	(dm), Global,		line, Social, Peer	Bullying, Script,
	Compliments,	Communication,		pressure, Influences,	Assertive, Risks,
	Celebrate,	Fair trade,		Personal information,	Pressure,
		Inequality, Food		Passwords, Privacy,	Influences, Self-
		journey, Climate,		Settings, Profile,	control, Real/fake,
		Transport,		SMARRT rules	True/untrue,
		Exploitation,			Assertiveness,
		Rights, Needs,			Judgement,
		Wants, Justice,			Communication,
		United Nations,			Technology,
		Equality,			Power, Cyber-
		Deprivation,			bullying, Åbuse,
		Hardship,			Safety
		Appreciation,			•
		Gratitude			

	Changing Me										
	Overview										
EYFS	Year I	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6					
Children are	Children are	Children learn that a baby	Children learn	Children learn	Children are introduced	Children learn to					
encouraged to	introduced to	develops inside its mother's	that some	about	to the physical and	explain how a baby					
think about	life cycles, e.g.	womb and that both male	changes are	menstruation.	emotional changes that	develops in the womb					
how they have	that of a frog	and female are needed to	social, that we	Sanitary health is	occur during puberty.	during pregnancy and					
changed from	and identify the	make a baby, like all living	become more	taught, including	They consider some of	how babies are born,					
being a baby	different stages.	things.	independent and	introducing pupils	the changes, over	and consider babies					
and what may	They compare	Children reflect on the	able to think	to different	which we have no	needs before and after					
change for	this with a	changes that occur (not	about others as	sanitary and	control and the	birth. They enable					

them in the future. They	human life cycle and look at	including puberty) between baby, toddler, child,	well as ourselves.	personal hygiene products.Children	choices we can make concerning those over	children to reflect on roles and relationships
consolidate the	simple changes	teenager, adult and old age.	Children look at	learn about things	which we do have	in the family. Children
names and	from baby to	As part of a school's	identity and self-	that go into the	.control.	revisit puberty and
functions of	adult, e.g.	safeguarding duty, pupils	esteem, and	body that help	I can explore the	consider the emotional
some of the	getting taller,	are re-taught the correct	reinforce the	them (e.g. good	emotional change e.g.	changes that may
main parts of	learning to	words for private parts of	belief that we are	food, some drugs)	mood swings, shyness	come with this.
the body and	walk, etc. They	the body.	all special. They	and harm them	etc. during puberty and	Children learn the
discuss how	discuss how		learn that we	(e.g. some drugs,	the impact on	differences and
these have	they have		grow and	cigarette smoke,	relationships	similarities in people -
changed. They	changed so far		change, as do	poisons) and how		sexuality – what it is
learn that our	and that people		all living things.	to be healthy.		and what words
bodies change in	grow up at			They learn how		describe it as well as
lots of different	different rates.			babies, and other		gender stereotypes and
ways as we get	As part of a			living things grow.		how homophobia
older	school's			Children identify		wrong.
	safeguarding			differences and		
	duty, pupils are			similarities in		
	taught the			people: sexuality -		
	correct words			what it is and		
	for private parts			what words		
	of the body			describe it.		
				Children		
				understand what		
				areas of the body		
				are private and		
				should not be		
				touched.		
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	Laught K.	nowledge and Socia		inal Skills (key		
• I can	<ul> <li>To explore</li> </ul>	To explain that a baby	• To show	• I can	To introduce	<ul> <li>To explain how a</li> </ul>
understand	differences	develops inside its	that some	understand	children to the	baby develops in
that each	between	mother's womb and	changes are	things that go	physical and	the womb during
person is	male and	that both male and	social, that	into the body	emotional changes	pregnancy and
special and	female	female are needed to	we become	that help me	that occur during	how babies are
unique.	• To enable	make a baby, like all	more	(e.g. good	puberty.	born.
• I can	children to	living things.	independent	food, some	To consider some	To consider the
understand	reflect on	<ul> <li>To enable children to reflect on their development</li> </ul>	and able to	drugs) and	of the changes,	needs of babies
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each person is important	differences	from babies.	others as	harm me (e.g.	have no control	birth.

	and to be	male and	To inform children about	well as	some drugs,	and the choices	<ul> <li>To enable children</li> </ul>
	valued.	female other	growth of a baby in the	ourselves.	cigarette	we can make	to reflect on roles
•	I can	than	womb and after they are	<ul> <li>To look at</li> </ul>	smake,	concerning those	and relationships
	celebrate	physical	born.	identity and	poisons)	over which we do	in the family.
	difference.	differences.	ADOXX 0	self-esteem,	<ul> <li>I can identify</li> </ul>	have control.	<ul> <li>To consider the</li> </ul>
•	I can begin	<ul> <li>I can begin</li> </ul>		and reinforce	body changes	<ul> <li>I can discuss the</li> </ul>	physical and
	to	to		the belief that	within myself	physical	emotional changes
	understand	understand		we are all	and others as	differences between	that take place as
	life cycles of	life and		special.	we grow older	girls and boys	girls go through
	plants and	arowth		<ul> <li>To show</li> </ul>	(including	including	puberty.
	animals.	O		that we	hygiene liked to	menstruation.	<ul> <li>I can discuss the</li> </ul>
•	I can order	within		grow and	changing	<ul> <li>I can label body</li> </ul>	physical differences
	human life	myself,		change, as	bodies.)	parts including	between girls and
	from a baby	animals and		do all living	• I can	reproductive	boys including
	to an elderly	plants		things.	understand	organs	menstruation
	person. (Do	(children			how to take	I can explore the	I can begin to
	not discuss birth in	can order			care of myself	emotional change	understand the
	detail or	pictures of			and what my body needs	e.g. mood swings,	differences and
	death in	living			o o	o o	similarities in
	detail).	things and			EG, healthy food, sleep,	shyness etc.	people; sexuality -
	I can name	the life			exercise and	during puberty	what it is and
	the different	.cycle.)			good personal	I can explore the	what words
	external	_			hygiene.	impact of puberty	describe it.
	parts of the	<ul> <li>To explore</li> </ul>			I can begin to	on relationships	<ul> <li>I can begin to</li> </ul>
	body (EG.	differences			understand	<ul> <li>I can begin to</li> </ul>	understand the
	Arm, leg,	between			how babies,	understand the	different family
	back and	male and			and other	differences and	types.
	foot. Staff	female T			living things	similarities in	I can learn about
	not to teach	• To enable			grow	people; sexuality -	gender stereotypes
	naming	children to			I can identify	what it is and	and how
	genital area	reflect on			differences and	what words	homophobia
	specifically)	differences between male			similarities in	describe it.	wrong.
					people:		
		and female other than physical			sexuality -		
		differences.			what it is and		
		ruggererites.			what words		
					describe it.		
					<ul> <li>I can describe</li> </ul>		
					body changes		
					in boys and		

				girls and why they happen. (Discussion of hormones, do not discuss puberty in detail) I can understand what areas of the body are private and should not be touched and who I can talk to if I feel worried.		
Recagnise that changing class	Understand and accept that	Can say who they would go to for help if warried or	Can express how they feel about	Can appreciate their awn uniqueness	Recognise that puberty	Recagnise ways they can develop their own
can elicit happy	change is a	scared	babies	and that of others	is a natural process	self-esteem
and/or sad	natural part of	Can say what types of	Can describe the	Can express any	that happens to	Can express how they
emotions	getting older	touch they find	emotions that a	concerns they have	everybody and that it	feel about the changes
Can say haw	Can suggest	comfartable/uncamfartable	new baby can	about puberty	will be OK for them	that will happen to
they feel about	ways to manage	Be able to confidently ask	bring to a family	Have strategies for	Can ask questians	them during puberty
changing class/	change, e.g.	someone to stop if they are	Can identify	managing the	about puberty to seek	
growing up	moving to a	being hurt or frightened	changes they are	emotions relating	clarification	Understand that mutual
Can identify how	new class	Can appreciate that changes	looking forward	to change	Can say who they can	respect is essential in
they have	Can identify	will happen and that some	to in the next	Can say who they	talk to if concerned	a boyfriend/girlfriend
changed from a	some things	can be controlled and	year	can talk to about	about puberty or	relationship and that
baby	that have	athers not		puberty if they are	becoming a	they shouldn't feel
Can say what	changed and	Be able to express how they		worried	teenager/adult	pressured into doing
might change for	some things	feel about changes				something that they
them they get	that have	Show appreciation for				don't want to
older	stayed the same	people who are older				Recognise how they
	since being a	Can recognise the				feel when they reflect
	baby (including	independence and				on the development
	the body)	responsibilities they have				and birth of a baby
	Can express	now compared to being a				Can celebrate what
	why they enjoy	baby or toddler				they like about their
	learning	Can say what greater				own and others' self-
		responsibilities and freedoms				image and body image
		they may have in the future				

		Can say what they are looking forward to in the next year				
		Vac	abulary Progi	ression		
EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
	Consolidate EYFS	Consolidate EYFS & Yr 1	Consolidate KSI	Consolidate KSI & Yr 3	Consolidate KSI, Yrs 3 & 4	Consolidate KSI & KS2
Bay	Bay	Similar	Independent	Body changes	Puberty	Family dynamics
Girl	Girl	Different	Self-esteem	Personal hygiene	Physical changes	Sexual intercourse
Same	Male	Male	Special	Substance	Emotional changes	Love
Different	Female	Female	Change	misuse	(mood	Consent
Unique	Same	Gender roles	Like	Body hair	swings/shyness)	Privacy
Special	Different	Stereotypes	Dislike	Pubic hair	Menstruation/Periods	Sperm
Life cycle	Penis	Life cycles	Similar	Puberty (Puberty	Reproductive organs	Egg
Arm, leg,	Vagina	Pregnant	Different	will not be	Relationships	Wamb
back, foot	Physical	Wamb	Growing	discussed in	Ovaries	Conception
(staff not to	characteristics	Body parts	Male	detail until Year	Scrotum/Testicles	Fertilisation
teach naming	Reproduce	Physical characteristics	Female	5)	Urethra	Foetus
genital area	Life cycles	Penis	Hug	Emotions/Feelings	Breasts	Umbilical card
specifically.)	Gender	Vagina	Kiss	Sweat	Body hair	Puberty
		Sperm	Family	Hormones	Pubic hair	Physical changes
		Egg	Family	Private/Personal	Sweat	Emotional changes
		Foetus	dynamics	Body parts	Privacy	Menstruation/periods
		Fertilisation	Family tree	Penis	Sperm	Sexual attraction
		(This unit does not	Life stages	Vagina	Semen	Hormones
		specifically talk about	Life cycle	Nipples	Wamb	Sexuality
		sexual intercourse and	Gender roles	Testicles	Eggs	Equality
		how a baby is made)	Stereotypes	Sperm	Equality	Diversity
				Egg	Diversity	-
				Fertilisation (The	Sexuality	
				process of	-	
				fertilisation will		
				not be discussed		
				until Year 6)		

Appendix 3: The statutory content: relationships education and health education (DfE).

At we must provide Relationships Education to all pupils as per:

- Section 34 of the Children and Social work act 2017.
- The statutory guidance from the Department for Education issued under Section 80A of the Education Act 2002 and section 403 of the Education Act 1996 Appendix A
- The statutory guidance from the Department for Education Equality Act 2010.
- Department for Education Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) and Health Education guidance 2020

The table below outlines the statutory RSE knowledge pupils are expected to have obtained by the time they leave Queen's Park according to the Department for Education<sup>4</sup>.

The content set out in this guidance covers everything that primary schools should teach about relationships and health, including puberty. "The national curriculum for science also includes subject content in related areas, such as the main external body parts, the human body as it grows from birth to old age (including puberty) and reproduction in some plants and animals. It will be for primary schools to determine whether they need to cover any additional content on sex education to meet the needs of their pupils"<sup>5</sup>.

"It is important that the transition phase before moving to secondary school supports pupils' angoing emotional and physical development

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effectively. - It should ensure that both boys and girls are prepared for the changes that adolescence brings and - drawing on knowledge of the human life cycle set out in the national curriculum for science - how a baby is conceived and born"6.

Families and people who care for me

# Pupils should know

- · that families are important for children growing up because they can give love, security and stability.
- the characteristics of healthy family life, commitment to eachother, including in times of difficulty, protection and care for children and other family members, the importance of spending time together and sharing each other's lives.
- · that others' families, either in school or in the wider world, sometimes look different from their family, but that they should respect those differences and know that other children's families are also characterised by love and care.
- · that stable, caring relationships, which may be of different types, are at the heart of happy families, and are important for children's security as they grow up.
- that marriage represents a formal and legally recognized commitment of two people to each other which is intended to be lifelong.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Ibid

	<ul> <li>how to recognise if family relationships are making them feel unhappy or unsafe, and how to seek help</li> </ul>
	or advice from others if needed.
Caring	Pupils should know
friendships	<ul> <li>how important friendships are in making us feel happy and secure, and how people choose and make friends.</li> <li>the characteristics of friendships, including mutual respect, truthfulness, trustworthiness, loyalty, kindness, generosity, trust, sharing interests and experiences and support with problems and difficulties.</li> <li>that healthy friendships are positive and welcoming towards others, and do not make others feel lonely or excluded.</li> <li>that most friendships have ups and downs, and that</li> </ul>
	these can often be worked through so that the friendship is repaired or even strengthened, and that resorting to violence is never right.
	<ul> <li>how to recognise who to trust and who not to trust,</li> <li>how to judge when a friendship is making them feel unhappy or uncomfortable,</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>managing conflict, how to manage these situations and how to seek help or advice from others, if needed.</li> </ul>
Respectful	Pupils should know
relationships	

- the importance of respecting others, even when they
  are very different from them (for example, physically,
  in character, personality or backgrounds), or make
  different choices or have different preferences or
  beliefs.
- practical steps they can take in a range of different contexts to improve or support respectful relationships.
- the conventions of courtesy and manners.
- the importance of self-respect and how this links to their own happiness.
- that in school and in wider society they can expect
  to be treated with respect by others, and that in turn
  they should show due respect to others, including
  those in positions of authority.
- about different types of bullying (including cyberbullying), the impact of bullying, responsibilities of bystanders (primarily reporting bullying to an adult) and how to get help.
- what a stereotype is, and how stereotypes can be unfair, negative or destructive.
- the importance of permission-seeking and giving in relationships with friends, peers and adults.

# Online relationships

#### Pupils should know

• that people sometimes behave differently online, including by pretending to be someone they are not.

- that the same principles apply to online relationships
  as to face-toface relationships, including the
  importance of respect for others online including
  when we are anonymous.
- the rules and principles for keeping safe online, how to recognize risks, harmful content and contact, and how to report them.
- how to critically consider their online friendships and sources of information including awareness of the risks associated with people they have never met.
- how information and data is shared and used online.

# Being safe Pupils should know

- what sorts of boundaries are appropriate in friendships with peers and others (including in a digital context).
- about the concept of privacy and the implications of it for both children and adults; including that it is not always right to keep secrets if they relate to being safe.
- that each person's body belongs to them, and the differences between appropriate and inappropriate or unsafe physical, and other, contact.
- How to respond safely and appropriately to adults they may encounter (in all contexts, including online) whom they do not know.

- how to recognise and report feelings of being unsafe or feeling bad about any adult.
- how to ask for advice or help for themselves or others, and to keep trying until they are heard.
- how to report concerns or abuse, and the vocabulary and confidence needed to do so.
- where to get advice e.g. family, school and/or other sources<sup>7</sup>

Appendix 4: NSPCC Healthy sexual development of children and young people

# Stages of healthy sexual behaviour

All children go through phases of sexual development. Just like every other part of growing up, some children mature sooner or later than others. For example, some children may have developmental delays whilst others may reach puberty early.

Below are some examples of age appropriate healthy sexual behaviour.

# From 0- to 4-years-old

At this stage, you might notice sexual behaviour emerging for the first time through actions like:

- enjoying being naked
- kissing and hugging people they know well, for example friends and family members

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- touching or rubbing their own private parts as a comforting habit
- showing curiosity about or attempting to touch the private parts of other people
- · being curious about the differences between boys and girls
- talking about private body parts and their functions, using words like 'willy', 'bum', 'poo' and 'wee'
- role playing about different relationships, for example marriage.

# 5- to 9-years-old

As children get a little older, they become more conscious of sex and their own sexuality. This can be displayed by:

- · becoming more aware of the need for privacy
- asking questions about sex and relationships, such as what sex is,
   where babies come from and same-sex relationships
- · kissing, hugging and holding hands with a boyfriend or girlfriend
- using swear words or slang to talk about sex after hearing other people use them.

# 9- to 13-years-old

During these ages, children begin to get more curious about sex. Examples of healthy sexual behaviour during this stage are:

- having a boyfriend or girlfriend (of the same or different gender)
- using sexual language as swear words or slang
- wanting more privacy
- looking for information about sex online (this might lead to accidentally finding sexual pictures or videos)
- masturbating in private.

# Appendix 5: Safeguarding: Safe and Effective Practice

# Consent, Choice and Personal Responsibility

Relationships and Sex Education focuses on individual rights and responsibilities for all people, including children and young people, within a relationship. It is important that we objectively teach our pupils legal and moral standpoints so they can make educated decisions that will hopefully lead them on to have successful, safe and happy adult relationships. Topics in this area can include, but are not limited to:

- · How to live their own lives
- Respecting the rights of others and allowing them to make their own decisions
- Holding your own beliefs and respecting the beliefs of others.

When appropriate, it is important that our pupils have a good understanding around consent. This will mean that they are confident in actively communicating consent, recognising consent from others and understanding that consent can always be withdrawn.

Pupils need basic knowledge about the privacy of their bodies and genitalia in particular to support safeguarding. Here at Queen's Park, we have adopted a school-wide policy on the consistent use of correct terms for genitalia as part of safeguarding practice. This is not sex education.

# Healthy Relationships

Relationships are a significant part of our lives; healthy relationships make us feel happy, protect us from different risks and vulnerabilities, and help support us throughout our lives. Here at Queen's Park, we believe it is important that pupils are aware that there are different types of committed, stable relationships and that these relationships might contribute to their happiness throughout their lives.

As relationships can look different from person to person and family to family, we believe it is our job to teach children about the different kinds

of relationships and most importantly, why healthy relationships are important. This includes:

- Understanding that committed, stable relationships are important for bringing up children, even if parents choose not to be together.
- The roles and responsibilities of parents when raising children, including the characteristics of successful parenting.
- What marriage is including the legal status and why marriage is an important relationship choice for many couples.
- The characteristics and legal status of other long-term relationships.
- The characteristics of positive and healthy friendships (in all contexts, including online).

# Unhealthy Relationships

Within our lives, relationships play a key role in keeping us safe and providing a good level of social and emotional wellbeing. Unfortunately, however, some individuals can experience unhealthy relationships, through no fault of their own. This can include relationships within (intra-familial) and outside of (extra-familial) the family home.

It is important that we teach our children and young people how to determine whether a relationship is trustworthy and whether a family, friend, or other relationship is unsafe. It is also vital that our pupils know how to seek help and advice if they have concerns or worries around an unhealthy relationship.

Unhealthy relationships can include a wide range of dynamics, including:

- Being neglected
- Emotional abuse
- Physical abuse and violence
- Bullying
- Domestic abuse including coercive control

- Exploitation
- Honour based abuse and forced marriage
- Sexual abuse.

There may be some pupils within the school who may have experienced such relationships, and it is our commitment that these subjects will be taught in a sensitive manner, without blame or judgement. Here at Queen's Park, we recognise that the school is a place of consistency for our pupils, and a safe space where issues can be discussed, and factual responses provided. We are committed that our school will be a place of safety where pupils can speak to trusted adults, report any concerns, seek support, and see first-hand that concerns are acted upon.

Here at Queen's Park, we believe that all pupils, regardless of race, gender, disability or need religious belief or background, are entitled to experience, and enjoy healthy relationships. We recognise that certain stereotypes can cause damage to individuals. We also recognise how these damaging stereotypes could normalise non-consensual behaviour or encourage prejudice.

The school recognises its legal rights and responsibilities in regard to equality, including the protected characteristics defined in the Equality Act 2010, and values that all pupils are unique and equal. We therefore ensure that relationships and sex education is taught equally, that all viewpoints and opinions are discussed, and that individual beliefs or characteristics are protected.

# Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE)

Child Sexual Exploitation is sexual exploitation of children and young people under 18. It involves situations, contexts and relationships where young people (or a third person or persons) receive something (e.g. food, accommodation, drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, affection, gifts, money) as a

result of them performing, and/or another or others performing on them, sexual activities. CSE can occur through the use of technology without the child's immediate recognition; for example, being persuaded to post sexual images on the internet/mobile phone without immediate payment or gain. In all cases, those exploiting the child/young person have power over them by virtue of their age, gender, intellect, physical strength and/or economic or other resources. Violence, coercion and intimidation are common, involvement in exploitative relationships being characterised in the main by the child or young person's limited availability of choice resulting from their social/ economic and/or emotional vulnerability.

CSE is a prevalent issue and something we need to ensure we keep our young people protected from. For older pupils, it may be necessary to teach direct lessons around CSE; however, we recognise that our preventative work, including that around healthy relationships, provides robust support in preventing young people becoming victims of CSE.

#### Domestic Abuse

Domestic abuse is a prevalent issue; it affects a significant number of children and families not only nationally, but also here within St Helens. Here at Queen's Park, we believe it is our responsibility to teach children about healthy relationships, partly so we are able to protect our pupils, but also so they can go on to have them in their adult lives.

As domestic abuse is a regional issue, it needs to be addressed sensitively and clearly. Domestic Abuse can include (this is not an exhaustive list):

- Physical abuse
- Sexual abuse
- Financial control
- Controlling and coercive behaviour.

Some types of behaviour, often seen within abusive relationships, are criminal offences. It is important that we teach our children and young people which types of behaviour are unlawful, so they can seek appropriate support and help keep themselves safe. In addition to this, by knowing the law around abuse, it allows our pupils to make more informed decisions and choices when entering into a relationship.

#### Female Genital Mutilation

Female Genital Mutilation (sometimes referred to female circumcision, cutting or sunna) refers to the procedure that intentionally alters or causes injury to the female genital organs for non-medical reasons. It occurs mainly in Africa and to a lesser extent, in the Middle East and Asia; however, children living in the United Kingdom are still at risk of this form of abuse. Although it is believed by many to be a religious issue, it is in fact a cultural practice.

Female Genital Mutilation causes significant physical and emotional damage to a woman. It is a criminal offence to perform or assist in the process of FGM; it is also an offence to fail to protect a person for whom you are responsible from FGM.

Again, using the correct terminology for genitals is crucial in the preventative work around FGM. It is important that pupils understand the anatomical features of their body, so they are able to identify whether they have been abused or mistreated in any way. Teaching children and young people the facts about their body, helps them to be empowered and understand their rights.

#### Online Safety

As so many of our children and young people use the internet, and as it forms such a significant part of modern-day life, it is imperative that we teach our pupils how to stay safe online.

Children and young people have an array of online opportunities and responsibilities. It is important that pupils understand that these rights and responsibilities are no different than in day to day life and that the same expectations of behaviour apply in all contexts, including on the internet.

E-Safety can be a vast topic; different areas of concern can sometimes feel uncomfortable to address; however, it is imperative that we do so. Here at Queen's Park, we want to ensure that parents and carers understand why certain topics need to be discussed and feel comfortable with their children taking part in these lessons. Our aim is always to work closely with families, as we believe that a collaborative approach is the best way forward for our children. Below are the issues that need to be addressed relating to online safety and the reasons why:

Topic	Reasons for teaching
Different types of	Many children and young people use social media to
bullying including	communicate with their friends. We want all of our
cyber-bullying	pupils to be able to recognise that online bullying is
	just as unacceptable as other forms of bullying, and
	that trusted adults can take action to help keep them
	safe.
Sharing material	Sharing material online can be a considerable risk.
online	Children and young people need to have
	comprehensive understanding that any material
	shared has the potential to be shared more widely
	online. Young people also need to be aware of the
	potentially difficulty in removing any compromising
	material placed on the internet. Pupils also need to be
	aware of the law and possible consequences of
	sharing inappropriate material over the internet. It is
	important that young people know not to provide

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negatively affect how they behave towards sexual
partners.
How data is Pupils need to be aware how data is generated,
collected and collected, shared, and used online, so they can make
shared online informed choices about what sort of information they
want to share on the internet.

# Concerns raised during lessons

At Queen's Park, we recognise that it is good practice to have a culture where children feel confident to discuss potentially sensitive issues. It could be that discussions in the lessons may raise safeguarding concerns. Any

concerns will be dealt with in accordance with the school's Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy.

Any external visitors or agencies delivering any aspects of Relationships and Sex Education will be required to pass any concerns raised immediately to the Designated Safeguarding Lead, along with a written or online record.

The Designated Safeguarding Lead has a comprehensive knowledge of trusted, high quality resources as well as extensive training around a vast array of safeguarding topics and procedures. Therefore, the DSL will be involved in all safeguarding aspects of Relationships and Sex Education.

# Responses to difficult questions

At Queen's Park, we believe that school should provide a safe environment for children to ask questions relating to relationships and sex education. We always encourage children to ask questions and develop their learning and we will answer these honestly and appropriately.

There may be some occasions however when it is not appropriate to answer certain questions. These include:

- If the question includes explicit and/or inappropriate language;
- If the question is not deemed age appropriate for the class;
- If the question asks about the personal lives of staff, children or families;
- If the child raises a safeguarding issue.

#### NSPCC P.A.N.T.S Rule

At Queen's Park, safeguarding children is of paramount importance and incorporating this within the curriculum is essential. Children throughout school will be taught the NSPCC P.A.N.T.S rule in order to keep themselves

safe from sexual abuse. See appendix 3: NSPCC Healthy sexual development of children and young people.

Appendix 6: SEND resources and advice across a range of SRE topics <a href="https://www.pshe-association.org.uk/content/send-hub">https://www.pshe-association.org.uk/content/send-hub</a>

https://www.sexeducationforum.org.uk/sites/default/files/field/attachment/R SE%20for%20disabled%20pupils%20and%20pupils%20with%20SEN%20-%20SEF.pdf

https://www.autismeducationtrust.org.uk/the-den/ - for teenagers, money, relationships etc

https://www.autismeducationtrust.org.uk/kids-zone/ -bullying, trusted adults

https://www.tes.com/teaching-resources/blog/sre-students-learning-difficulties- free resources

https://councilfordisabledchildren.org.uk/transition-informationnetwork/information-and-support/relationships - simplified information

https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/research-resources/schools/relationshipshealth-and-sex-education-resources - examples below

https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/research-resources/schools/love-life

https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/research-resources/schools/its-not-ok

https://www.bigtalkeducation.co.uk/rse-information-and-support-for-schools/send-rse/

https://www.fpa.org.uk/ https://www.asdan.org.uk/courses/programmes

#### Resources

Department for Education - Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) and Health Education guidance.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/s/stachment data/file/908013/Relationships Education Relationships and S ex Education RSE and Health Education.pdf

PSHE Association

www.pshe-association.org.uk

Unicef <u>www.unicef.org.uk</u>



