



St Leonard's Church of England Primary School

RSE Statement

As a school we recognise that parents have the prime responsibility in teaching their children how to build healthy, loving relationships, but our school also plays a vital part in supporting you as the first educators of your children.

Through our St Leonard's Relationships Education, we aim to ensure that:

- Relationships Education is part of a child's broad, balanced curriculum, integral to the basic curriculum of the school and part of the child's all-round development.
- pupils understand the qualities of healthy relationships based on Christian principles, including the importance of marriage and lifelong commitments as a basis for sexual relationship.
- Children are prepared for healthy relationships in an online world.
- Children understand how to stay safe, know the importance of boundaries and how to report abuse or feelings of being unsafe.
- Children develop a positive and secure personal identity, a sense of their own value and feelings of confidence and empathy.
- We have a positive culture around issues of sexuality and relationships.

Our school complies with the requirements of the Equality Act and the Public Sector Equality Duty (see our Equality Policy available on school website) in addition to complying with the statutory guidance on Relationships Education, Sex Education (RSE) and Health Education.

Through consultation with our school community, and with regard to the CofE's Charter for faith sensitive and inclusive relationships education, relationships, sex and health education, we have adopted the approach to teach only the statutory content of the DfE guidance on RSE. This means that children will be taught about growing, changing and puberty within their health education, as well as human reproduction at cellular level within the Science curriculum National Curriculum Programme of Study, but will not be taught about sexual intercourse. This becomes a statutory requirement at Secondary school.

For further information, please see our full Relationships and Sex Education Policy.

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