

## ***Duddon Saint Peter's CE School***



### **Sex and Relationships Policy**

Sex and relationship education is learning about human development, reproduction, growth and change. Our approach reflects the school's Christian ethos, encouraging an exploration of morals, values and attitudes. It is about understanding the importance of stable and loving relationships, marriage and their importance for family life.

Children receive education appropriate to their age on growth and reproduction from their class teacher. It is a natural and normal part of the school's on-going cross-curricular work and as modules are studied, several strands will merge and overlap – science, health, citizenship, social education and R.E.

We are committed to working in partnership with parents and have included them in the consultation process of this policy. Parents with any concerns are always welcome to discuss them with the Head or the child's class teacher.

The home is normally the best place for educating children about human reproduction as parents are often well placed to answer questions naturally as they arise. The school works towards this in partnership with parents.

Parents have the right to withdraw their child from any sex education lessons which do not form part of the National Curriculum for Science. Unplanned issues such as homosexuality, masturbation, contraception, HIV (sex related) and other sexually transmitted diseases will not be covered. Staff will respond to issues raised by children carefully and appropriately.

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