

Sex Education Policy

Education on sex and sex-related issues will be delivered mainly as part of the 'Your Life' (PHSCE) programmes of study under the leadership of the 'Your Life' organiser and the tutors, with support from outside agencies where this is judged to be appropriate. Some issues will arise in other lessons, such as Beliefs and Values, and the biology of sex will be taught in science lessons. Sex education will form part of a programme which begins in Year 7 and continues, formally until Year 13. At each stage materials and approaches will be appropriate for the age and understanding of pupils.

We aim to do this in a way which maintains confidentiality for pupils and offers protection under the Children Act.

We aim to ensure that pupils:

are informed about:

- The biology of sex
- Sexually transmitted diseases
- Contraception

have opportunities to discuss and consider with confidence and in a supportive environment:

- Marriage and partnership
- The development and sustaining of relationships
- Adolescence and developing sexuality
- Self esteem and self confidence
- Teenage pregnancy
- Abortion
- Same sex relationships
- Gender identity and gender reassignment

are confident in developing personal responses in situations where sexual activity may be expected or desired.

understand the law relating to sexual activity.

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