

Sex and Relationship Education

At the heart of the Catholic faith is love. This means that we link every aspect of our being, from birth to death, with love. Love starts to enter our life at the moment of birth and develops through our relationships.

As a parent, you are the key person in educating your child/ren in their social interactions with others. In primary school, your child's class teacher has a vital role to play too. We believe home and school should work in partnership and our SRE programme is designed to compliment your role as educator for your child.

School has a responsibility to ensure that the information given to pupils is received in the context of the teachings of the Catholic Church and therefore based on sound moral principles. We must be ready to accompany the children on their journey to adulthood, modelling for them and enabling them to become capable of whole and wholesome relationships. The whole of childhood is the gradual independence in which children learn to live effective lives. They learn how to:

- identify, acknowledge and manage a range of feelings.
- live and work with others.

- make appropriate decisions and take responsibility for the decisions they have made.

The Catholic Church has always emphasised that its aim is the education of the whole person. At our school, we believe we should help pupils to make right judgements and take the right actions in the many varied situations they might find themselves.

This leaflet gives you a brief overview of sex and relationship education in our school – SRE. Aspects of SRE are taught as an integral part of the RE curriculum and PSHE (Personal, Social and Health Education & Citizenship). A number of aspects are taken from the Science curriculum which is statutory.

Your rights as a parent:

- To be informed about the content of SRE in school.
- To talk to your child/ren about aspects of SRE.
- To know you have the right to withdraw your child from some SRE lessons but not from statutory science lessons.



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God loves each of us in our uniqueness

Learning

Children know and understand that God has made them unique and that although we are all different we are all special to Him.

Physical

Does it matter if we are different?

How am I different from you?

How are you different from me?

Emotional

How do you feel about your friends?

Do you have other friends at home/ at school?

Why do you play with them?

Spiritual

Is Jesus our friend?

Who is the mother of Jesus and why is she so special?

Social

Who do I play with?

Why does (x) play with me?

Name your favourite games

Intellectual

Is it important to have friends?

Describe a good friend



KEYWORDS USED IN FOUNDATION STAGE

God
Unique
Different
Special
Eyes
Hair
Boy/ Girl
Hands

Fingers
Name
Family
Love
Womb
Describe



PRAYER

Loving God,

Thank you for your gift of love and for making me special with my own name.

Amen



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