Sex and Relationship Education (SRE) at Primrose Hill Information meeting for parents



Purpose of the meeting

to find out about

- How the school approaches SRE
- What will be taught in each year
- How you can support your child

What is SRE at Primrose Hill?

"lifelong learning about physical, moral and emotional development"

Children are taught about

- the importance of stable and loving relationships
- the importance of respect for one another, regardless of religion, culture or sexual orientation
- sexuality and sexual health
- how they are growing and changing, physically and emotionally
- Reproduction

How is SRE taught?

- In a way that is respectful of the many different types of families children come from
- Within the context of healthy positive relationships
- Using materials and resources appropriate to the age group
- Using a variety of teaching and learning styles eg circle time, DVDs, role-play
- Other adults such as the school nurse or other health professionals may be involved
- Supported by a group agreement set with pupils to ensure that a safe learning atmosphere is created where pupils feel able to discuss concerns, feeling and relationships

How is SRE taught?

- SRE is taught through topics in science (statutory) and PSHE and citizenship
- There is a "rolling" programme of SRE from the Nursery to Year 6 which ensures that children are provided with information which is easy to understand and relevant to their ages and maturity
- There are specific lessons in Years 5 and 6
- It will also be dealt with through answering children's questions and responding appropriately to opportunities that arise in the course of all teaching.
- Our planned SRE curriculum is based on Camden's scheme of work
- We use correct scientific names for male and female body parts
- Teachers do not talk about their own personal stories

What is taught, when?

- There is a scheme of work in the SRE policy
- The content is age-appropriate and in line with the national curriculum and Camden and national guidance
- We teach the statutory requirements of the National Curriculum (parts of the body, life cycles, puberty and reproduction)
- The main teaching about puberty is in Year 5 but the basics are covered in Year 4
- Sexual intercourse is not taught until Year 6

Parents and SRE

- All teachers in Key Stage 2 will write to inform parents when they are about to begin an SRE topic
- We recognise that parents and carers have a key role to play in their children's learning about SRE.
- Parents have the right to withdraw their child from the parts of SRE that are outside the compulsory science curriculum
- If a parent wishes to withdraw their child they should see the head teacher to discuss this

How you can support your child with SRE

As a parent or carer, you play a key role in your child's learning about SRE

- Ask them about their SRE lessons
- Let them know your views and values about SRE
- Provide books about SRE
- Answer their questions