



KEY STAGE 2 Sex and Relationships Education.

Dear Parents / Carers,

At Denbigh we believe that we have the responsibility to provide children of all ages with accurate, sensitive, appropriate information based on their needs. Sex and Relationship Education (SRE) contributes to the social, moral and cultural development of children and provides an open and safe environment for children to learn about positive relationships, to value and respect themselves and others and to make responsible and reasoned choices.

During our SRE lessons we will be exploring what makes a healthy relationship and are using the expert respect resources from Woman's Aid to support these lessons. This is an age appropriate resource designed to ensure children know what a healthy, safe relationship is.

We have also added more emphasis on different relationships including different types of families. This will allow children to celebrate difference and diversity in school and in the wider world. The terms gay and lesbian will be introduced to the children

Stereotypes will be investigated with the children through stories which challenge preconceptions and children will be encouraged to accept each other and understand that we are all different but of equal value.

The terms gay, lesbian and transgender will be discussed with the children. Children will discuss these terms and what they mean at an age appropriate level to allow them to acknowledge that we are all different but all valued and people have different relationships. They will also discuss use of homophobic language such as "That is so gay" and how this is not appropriate language to use. Children will be introduced to the word transgender as a person who lives in the opposite gender to what they are born with. This has been in the national press a great deal lately as the amount of transgender children is increasing rapidly. It is very distressing for children who feel they have to conform to their gender roles and many experience severe mental health problems if not given early support and acceptance.

If you require any more information or you would like to look at any of the resources we use please do not hesitate to contact me.

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