



St Clement & St James CE Primary School

July 2020

Dear parents & carers of children at SCSJ and St T's

Consultation on RSHE - Relationships Sex and Health Education

From September 2021 all primary schools in England will be required to teach relationships education and it is recommended that all schools have a sex education programme as well. The government wants this programme of education to form the building blocks of healthy, respectful relationships, focusing on family and friendships, in all contexts, including online.

The Church of England's view is helpful:

"In Church of England schools and in all schools we want young people to flourish and to gain every opportunity to live fulfilled lives.

For Church schools, RSE is about the emotional, social and physical aspects of growing up, healthy relationships, sex, human sexuality and sexual health.

It is also about the spiritual and moral aspects of relationships within a context of a Christian vision for the purpose of life."

Our two schools want to work in partnership with parents to create a shared RSHE policy and would like to discuss our ideas with you. As part of the consultation process we'd like to invite parents to a Google meeting on **Thursday 9th July at 6pm**.

If you would like to join us please email: info-st@stfed.rbkc.sch.uk and we will send you an invite to the meeting. If you have any questions you want to ask it will be helpful if you can send them to us beforehand.

At the meeting Miss Emily Lay and Mrs Celia Kelly will talk you through the statutory requirements for RSHE, our proposed policy and the scheme of work we will be trialling over the coming academic year. There will also be an opportunity to answer your questions.

We are following the Coram Life Foundation's SCARF scheme (Safety, Caring, Achieving, Resilience and Friendship) and more information can be found through this [link](#). The government's statutory guidance on RSHE can be found [here](#).

Mrs Dowthwaite and Miss Bouette will also be on hand at the meeting and look forward to discussing this important work with you.

Kind regards

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