



St Bede's Catholic Voluntary Academy



RSE Policy

"We commit ourselves to love, respect and serve one another as disciples of Jesus Christ"

Date of approval	January 2024
Date of review	January 2025

Introduction

In this policy, the Governors and teachers, in partnership with pupils and their parents, set out their intentions about relationships and sex education (RSE). We set out our rationale for, and approach to relationships and sex education in the school.

As a result of the implementation of statutory RSE as of September 2020, the PSHCE coordinator, Ms Taylor and Assistant Headteacher, Mrs Jackson, have conducted a review on the current curriculum and delivery for RSE. In addition to this, the school has historically consulted with Judy Franklin, of the PSHCE North Lincolnshire Consortium, Chris Maher, Director of Standards at Our Lady Of Lourdes CMAT and TenTen 'Life to the Full' Education. Consultation with pupils and governors through sample delivery sessions and feedback has been acted upon.

This policy has been reviewed and updated in line with the recent updated from the Diocesan RSE toolkit (2021) and KCSIE policy (2023)

Implementation and Review of Policy

This policy will be reviewed every year by the Headteacher, Assistant Headteacher responsible for RSE, the Governing Body and Staff. Parents will be consulted prior to the policy being ratified by the Governing Body.

Dissemination

The policy will be given to all members of the Senior Leadership Team and Governing Body. It will be presented during SLT and Governing Body meetings to ensure full understanding and consultation. Copies of the document will be available to all parents through the school's website and available from the school reception. Details of the content of the RSE curriculum will also be published on the school's web site and more detailed information can be obtained via the TenTen website.

Defining Relationship and Sex Education

The DfE guidance states that "children and young people need to know how to be safe and healthy, and how to manage their academic, personal and social lives in a positive way"¹. It is about the development of the pupil's knowledge and understanding of her or him as a sexual being, about what it means to be fully human, called to live in right relationships with self and others and being enabled to make moral decisions in conscience.

In Secondary schools, RSE should "give young people the information they need to help them develop healthy, nurturing relationships of all kinds, not just intimate relationships. It should enable them to know what a healthy relationship looks like and what makes a good friend, a good colleague and a successful marriage or other type of committed relationship. It should also cover contraception, developing intimate relationships and resisting pressure to have sex (and not applying pressure)."²

¹ Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) and Health Education: Statutory guidance for governing bodies, proprietors, head teachers, principals, senior leadership teams, teachers Page 4

² Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) and Health Education: Statutory guidance for governing bodies, proprietors, head teachers, principals, senior leadership teams, teachers Page 25

Statutory Curriculum Requirements

We are legally required to teach those aspects of RSE which are statutory parts of National Curriculum Science. (There is also a separate requirement for maintained secondary schools to teach about HIV, AIDS and sexually transmitted infections. This does not apply to academies).

However, the reasons for our inclusion of RSE go further.

Rational

‘I HAVE COME THAT YOU MIGHT HAVE LIFE AND HAVE IT TO THE FULL’(Jn.10.10)

We are involved in relationships and sex education precisely because of our Christian beliefs about God and about the human person. The belief in the unique dignity of the human person made in the image and likeness of God underpins the approach to all education in a Catholic school. Our approach to RSE therefore is rooted in the Catholic Church’s teaching of the human person and presented in a positive framework of Christian ideals.

At the heart of the Christian life is the Trinity; Father, Son and Spirit in communion: united in loving relationship and embracing all people of God the Father’s creation. As a consequence of the Christian belief that we are made in the image and likeness of God, gender and sexuality are seen as God’s gift, reflect God’s beauty, and share in the divine creativity. RSE, therefore, will be placed firmly within the context of a relationship as it is there that sexuality grows and develops.

Following the guidance of the Bishops of England and Wales and as advocated by the DFE (and the Welsh Assembly Government), RSE will be firmly embedded in the PSHE framework as it is concerned with nurturing human wholeness and integral to the physical, spiritual, emotional, moral, social and intellectual development of pupils. It is centered on Christ’s vision of being human as good news and will be positive and prudent, showing the potential for development, while enabling the dangers and risks involved to be understood and appreciated.

All RSE will be in accordance with the Church’s moral teaching. It will emphasise the central importance of marriage and the family whilst acknowledging that all pupils have a fundamental right to have their life respected whatever household they come from. It will also prepare pupils for life in modern Britain.

Whilst the framework for RSE has evolved, we are mindful that the topics discussed are not new. The understanding of the RSE curriculum and the need for a ‘positive and prudent sex education to be imparted to children and adolescent’ ³ has been referenced in 2016 *Amoris Laetitia* and understood within the Bishops’ Conference in 2017, *Learning to Love*. This policy and the delivery of RSE attempts to give truth to what is imagined in these documents; understand the nature and

³ Second Vatican Council

gift of love and educate children on understanding relationships and sex, and how the two can be understood together.

Values and Virtues

Our programme enshrines Gospel Values relating to the importance of stable relationships, marriage and family life. It also promotes those virtues which are essential in responding to the God's call to love others with a proper respect for their dignity and the dignity of the human body. We recognise that Catholic Character education involves the distinct and explicit teaching of virtues to allow the flourishing of the whole person. As a result, the following virtues will be explicitly explored and promoted: faithfulness, fruitfulness, chastity, integrity, prudence, mercy and compassion.

Aim of RSE and the Mission Statement

Our Mission Statement commits us to 'love, respect and serve one another as disciples of Jesus Christ'. In practice, this includes the education of the whole child (spiritual, physical, intellectual, moral, social, cultural, emotional) and we believe that RSE is an integral part of this growth. Furthermore, our school aims state that we will endeavour to raise pupils' self-esteem, help them to grow in knowledge and understanding, recognise the value of all persons and develop caring and sensitive attitudes.

In partnership with parents, to provide children and young people with a "positive and prudent sexual education"⁴ which is compatible with their physical, cognitive, psychological, and spiritual maturity, and rooted in a Catholic vision of education and the human person.

Objectives

To develop the following **attitudes and virtues**:

- we have all been created by God and we are all loved by God;
- reverence for the gift of human sexuality and fertility;
- respect for the dignity of every human being – in their own person and in the person of others;
- joy in the goodness of the created world and their own bodily natures;
- responsibility for their own actions and a recognition of the impact of these on others;
- recognising and valuing their own sexual identity and that of others;
- celebrating the gift of life-long, self-giving love;
- recognising the importance of marriage and family life;
- fidelity in relationships.

To develop the following **personal and social skills**:

⁴ *Gravissimum Educationis* 1

- making sound judgements and good choices which have integrity, and which are respectful of the individual's commitments;
- loving and being loved, and the ability to form friendships and loving, stable relationships free from exploitation, abuse and bullying;
- managing emotions within relationships, and when relationships break down, with confidence, sensitivity and dignity;
- managing conflict positively, recognising the value of difference;
- cultivating humility, mercy and compassion, learning to forgive and be forgiven;
- developing self-esteem and confidence, demonstrating self-respect and empathy for others;
- building resilience and the ability to resist unwanted pressures, recognising the influence and impact of the media, internet and peer groups and so developing the ability to assess pressures and respond appropriately;
- being patient, delaying gratification and learning to recognise the appropriate stages in the development of relationships, and how to love chastely;
- assessing risks and managing behaviours in order to minimise the risk to health and personal integrity.

To know and understand:

- we are all created and loved by God;
- the Church's teaching on relationships and the nature and meaning of sexual love;
- the Church's teaching on marriage and the importance of marriage and family life;
- the centrality and importance of virtue in guiding human living and loving;
- the physical and psychological changes that accompany puberty;
- the facts about human reproduction, how love is expressed sexually and how sexual love plays an essential and sacred role in procreation;
- how to manage fertility in a way which is compatible with their stage of life, their own values and commitments, including an understanding of the difference between natural family planning and artificial contraception;
- how to keep themselves safe from sexually transmitted infections and how to avoid unintended pregnancy, including where to go for advice.

Outcomes

Inclusion and Differentiated Learning

We will ensure RSE is sensitive to the different needs of individual pupils in respect to pupils' different abilities, levels of maturity and personal circumstances; for example, their own sexual orientation, faith or culture and is taught in a way that does not subject pupils to discrimination, in accordance with the equality act. Lessons will also help children to realise the nature and consequences of discrimination, teasing, bullying and aggressive behaviours (including cyber-bullying), use of prejudice-based language and how to respond and ask for help. (In looking at these questions, it is important to draw links to the school's inclusion policy). We will respect

pupils' unique starting points by providing a learning environment that is safe and encourages open questioning.

Equalities Obligations

The governing body have wider responsibilities under the Equalities Act 2010 and will ensure that our school does the best for all of the pupils, irrespective of disability, educational needs, race, nationality, ethnic or national origin, pregnancy, maternity, sex, gender identity, religion or sexual orientation or whether they are looked-after children. We will ensure equality by understanding the demographic of our pupils and incorporating how Catholic beliefs on RSE are not exclusive and are shared with other World religions. We will assess the needs of different pupils through our extensive pastoral support network to ensure their needs are met through the curriculum content.

Broad Content of RSE

Three aspects of RSE - attitudes and values, knowledge and understanding, and personal and social skills will be provided in three inter-related ways: the whole school / ethos dimension; a cross-curricular dimension and a specific relationships and sex curriculum.

Programme/Resources

At St Bede's, we moved to the Ten:Ten Life to the Full Programme for year 7-11 in 2021. The content is reviewed annually to ensure statutory components are being delivered. This programme is a fully integrated and holistic approach to RSE. It follows the model Catholic RSE curriculum broken down into;

Created and loved by others;

Created to love others;

Created to live in a community;

Appendices to this policy provide further information about the programme; these include the PSHCE schedule and the TenTen Life to the full programme.

Parents and Carers

We recognise that parents (and other carers who stand in their place) are the primary educators of their children. As a Catholic school, we provide the principal means by which the Church assists parents and carers in educating their children. Therefore, the school will support parents and carers by providing material to be shared with their children at home and workshops to help parents/carers to find out more. Parents/carers will be informed by letter or the Parent Bulletin when the more sensitive aspects of RSE will be covered in order that they can be prepared to talk and answer questions about their children's learning.

Parents have been consulted during the first policy before this was ratified by governors. They will be consulted at every stage of the development of the RSE programme, as well as during the process of monitoring, review and evaluation. Our aim is that every parent and carer will have full confidence in the school's RSE programme to meet their child's needs.

Parents continue to have ***the right to withdraw*** their children from Sex Education except in those elements which are required by the National Curriculum science orders. We will communicate with parents/carers each year about the RSE curriculum and their right to withdraw via letter. Should parents/carers wish to withdraw their children, they are asked to notify the school by contacting the Head teacher in response to the written communication sent by the school. The PSHCE co-ordinator will speak with parents/carers to enter into a constructive dialogue, ensuring that the rationale for RSE is understood and the reasons for withdrawing are taken seriously. The school will provide support by providing material for parents to help the children with their learning.

We believe that the controlled environment of the classroom is the safest place for this curriculum to be followed. Please refer to the DfE guidance Page 17 for further details on the right to be excused from sex education (commonly referred to as the right to withdraw).

Balanced Curriculum

Whilst promoting Catholic values and virtues and teaching in accordance with Church teaching, we will ensure that pupils are offered a balanced programme by providing an RSE programme that offers a range of viewpoints on issues.

Pupils will also receive clear scientific information as well as covering the aspects of the law pertaining to RSE (in secondary schools/academies relating to forced-marriage, female genital mutilation, abortion, the age of consent and legislation relating to equality). Knowing about facts and enabling young people to explore differing viewpoints is not the same as promoting behaviour and is not incompatible with our school's promotion of Catholic teaching. We will ensure that pupils have access to the learning they need to stay safe, healthy and understand their rights as individuals.

Responsibility for teaching the programme

Responsibility for the specific relationships and sex education programme sits with the PSHCE coordinator, Ms V Taylor and the RSE SLT link Mrs J Jackson. Delivery of this programme facilitated by staff members within school who have chosen to be part of the RSE team and

resources are provided by Ten Ten Life to the full, a well-respected Catholic educational organisation.

Mr Toyne, science teacher, is the facilitator for RSE. However, all staff will be involved in developing the attitudes and values aspect of the RSE programme. They will be role models for pupils of good, healthy, wholesome relationships as between staff, other adults and pupils. They will also be contributing to the development of pupils' personal and social skills. All staff have completed training provided by CES on the new RSE framework.

External Visitors

Our school will often call upon help and guidance from outside agencies and health specialists to deliver aspects of RSE. Such visits will always complement the current programme and never substitute or replace teacher led sessions. It is important that any external visitor is clear about their role and responsibility whilst they are in school delivering a session, and Ms Taylor (PSHCE Coordinator) will consult with visitors in advance of any sessions delivered. If they are a regular visitor to the school, a meeting will be held annually to discuss planning and feedback. In addition to this, all external visitors will be accompanied by a St Bede's member of staff and will be observed at least once during the academic year.

Health professionals should follow the school's policies, minimising the potential for disclosures or inappropriate comments using negotiated ground rules and distancing techniques as other teachers would. They will ensure that all teaching is rooted in Catholic principles and practice.

Other roles and responsibilities regarding RSE

Governors

- approve the RSE policy, in consultation with parents and teachers;
- ensure that the policy is available to parents;
- ensure that the policy is in accordance with other whole school policies, e.g., SEN, the ethos of the school and our Catholic beliefs;
- ensure that parents know of their right to withdraw their children;
- establish a link governor to share in the monitoring and evaluation of the programme, including resources used;
- ensure that the policy provides proper and adequate coverage of relevant National Curriculum science topics and the setting of RSE within PSHE.

Head teacher

The Head teacher, Mr R Hibbard, takes overall delegated responsibility for the implementation of this policy and for liaison with the Governing Body, parents, the Diocesan Schools' Service and the Local Education Authority, also appropriate agencies.

PSHCE/RSE Co-Ordinator

Ms V Taylor, the co-ordinator with the senior link for RSE, Mrs J Jackson, has a general responsibility for supporting other members of staff in the implementation of this policy and will

provide a lead in the dissemination of the information relating to RSE and the provision of in-service training.

All Staff

RSE is a whole school issue. All teachers have a responsibility of care; as well as fostering academic progress they should actively contribute to the guardianship and guidance of the physical, moral and spiritual well-being of their pupils. Teachers will be expected to teach RSE in accordance with the Catholic Ethos of the school. Appropriate training will be made available for all staff teaching RSE. All staff have been made aware of this policy and what their roles and responsibilities are in relation to RSE.

Relationship to other policies and other subjects.

This RSE policy is to be delivered as part of the PSHE framework. It includes guidelines about pupil safety and is compatible with the school's other policy documents, for example behaviour policy and safeguarding and child protection policy.

Pupils with particular difficulties, whether of a physical or intellectual nature, will receive appropriately differentiated support in order to enable them to achieve mature knowledge, understanding and skills. Teaching methods will be adapted to meet the varying needs of this group of pupils. The Learning Support team will be consulted in advance of RSE being delivered to ensure the right TA support is in place if needed.

Learning about RSE in PSHE classes will link to/complement learning in those areas identified in the PSHCE/RSE audit.

Children's Questions

The governors want to promote a healthy, positive atmosphere in which RSE can take place. They want to ensure that pupils can ask questions freely, be confident that their questions will be answered, and be sure that they will be free from bullying or harassment from other children and young people.

Controversial or Sensitive issues

There will always be sensitive or controversial issues in the field of RSE. These may be matter of maturity, of personal involvement or experience of children, of disagreement with the official teaching of the Church, of illegal activity or other doubtful, dubious or harmful activity. The governors believe that children are best educated, protected from harm and exploitation by discussing such issues openly within the context of the RSE programme. The use of ground rules, negotiated between teachers and pupils, will help to create a supportive climate for discussion.

Some questions may raise issues which it would not be appropriate for teachers to answer during ordinary class time, e.g., where a child or young person's questions hints at abuse, is deliberately tendentious or is of a personal nature.

Supporting Children and Young People who are at risk

Children will also need to feel safe and secure in the environment in which RSE takes place. Effective RSE will provide opportunities for discussion of what is and is not appropriate in relationships. Such discussion may well lead to disclosure of a safeguarding issue. Teachers will need to be aware of the needs of their pupils and not let any fears and worries go unnoticed. Where a teacher suspects that a child or young person is a victim of or is at risk of abuse they are required to follow the school's safeguarding policy and immediately inform the designated senior member of staff responsible.

Confidentiality and Advice

All governors, all teachers, all support staff, all parents and all pupils must be made aware of this policy, particularly as it relates to issues of advice and confidentiality.

All lessons, especially those in the RSE programme, will have the best interests of pupils at heart, enabling them to grow in knowledge and understanding of relationships and sex, developing appropriate personal and social skills and becoming appreciative of the values and attitudes which underpin the Christian understanding of what it means to be fully human.

Pupils will be encouraged to talk to their parents/carers about the issues which are discussed in the programme. Teachers will always help pupils facing personal difficulties, in line with the school's pastoral policies. Teachers should explain to pupils that they cannot offer unconditional confidentiality, in matters which are illegal or abusive for instance. Teachers will explain that in such circumstances they would have to inform others, e.g., safeguarding and parents, but that the pupils would always be informed first that such action was going to be taken where safe and appropriate to do so.

Appendices:

Letters to parents

Date: 4th September 2023

Our Ref: PSHCE/2023/SOW/Y7

Dear Parent/Carer,

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Citizenship

- Students will learn the expectations of being St Bede's Citizens
- The difference between positive and negative citizens
- How individuals can contribute to their local communities
- They will also learn about respect and how to treat others.
- An introduction to politics and the UK law is also delivered

Careers

- Students will have an introduction to careers which covers careers terminology.
- They will learn about the importance of salaries and what can affect them.
- They will have the opportunity to participate in an employer encounter.

Health

- Students will study healthy lifestyles including food health, staying healthy and dental health.
- They will learn about puberty and 'The Red Box'
- They will have an introduction to first aid and they will learn CPR.

RSE

- Students will learn about different types of relationships including romantic, friends and family.
- Students will look at how puberty and changing bodies can affect self-esteem.
- Students will cover content on digital technology including Youth Produced Sexual Imagery. They will also complete a lesson on FGM.

STEM/Interform

- Students will look at how physical health connects with mental health.
- They will also look at the importance of STEM skills and how these can support career development.

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make links between RSE and faith. Information on the content covered in our TENTEN sessions can be found on TENTEN's parent portal site

Website: <https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-portal/>

Username: st-bede-dn16 Password: happy-places

We believe Relationships and Sex education forms an important part of learning and understanding within the PSHCE framework, however if you wish to withdraw your child from the Sex Education element of our programme please complete the reply slip below and return to school no later than Friday 29th September 2023. **Please only complete the slip if you wish for your child to be taken out of sex education.** If you choose to withdraw your child from the sex education curriculum, I will conduct a telephone consultation to establish which areas of the TENTEN resources you wish to withdraw your child from. If you have any questions regarding the programme of study, please contact me at school or via email on vtaylor@stbedesscunthorpe.org.uk

Yours Faithfully



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Careers, PSHCE & Exams Lead

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Student's full name Student's tutor group

Signed: Name: Date:

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Health

- Students will look at the effects of and legislations around addictions. They will cover smoking, e-cigarettes, alcohol, drugs and gambling.

RSE

- Students will look at pregnancy and puberty, including the physical and psychological changes and what happens during sexual attraction.
- Students will examine individual identity, including identity and sexual identity.
- Students will understand the term protected characteristics and will explore how this is sometimes the subject of prejudice, discrimination and bullying.

Careers

- Students will focus on activities which will support them to pick their options in Year 9; this will include developing research skills and exploring Labour Market information.
- Students will look at stereotypes and myth busting within careers.

Stem/Interform

- Students will look deeper into STEM skills and will realise the importance of transferable skills developed in STEM.
- In interform, students will look at benefits of physical activity and time outdoors.

Citizenship

- In this unit students will cover bullying, racism & hate crime.
- Students will explore what a modern UK looks like and migration to the country

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Careers

- Students will work to develop their entrepreneurial skills.
- Students will experience a number of sessions which will support them with the options picking process.

Citizenship

- Students will learn the structure of the houses of parliament and will look at which political parties are in operation in the UK.
- Students will learn about the UK legal and justice system, before taking a look at contextual issues such as CCE and County Lines.
- Students will learn about protected characteristics and consider equality.

STEM/Interform

- Students will be looking at how STEM skills can inform a range of different professions.
- In Interform, they will consider how they can use physical activity as an aid to combat stress.

Health

- Students will explore body image in relation to the media and how this affects self-esteem.
- Student will look at positive mental health and ways to cope with stress.
- Students will participate in a Road Safety presentation.

RSE

- Students will consider God's plan for love and intimacy and will learn about the benefits of delaying sexual intimacy.
- Students will cover information on fertility, contraception, consent and sexual desire.
- Students will look at sexual exploitation and coercive control.

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STEM

- Students will learn about how to transfer STEM skills needed for employment.

Health

- Students will learn about the importance of blood and organ donation, as well as the systems in place for screenings and immunisations.

- They will learn about the importance of sleep and good mental health.
- They will revisit the dangers of addictive substances.

RSE

- Students will look at parenthood, the legal responsibilities of becoming a parent and the emotional and practical commitments of parenting.
- Students will cover a number of RSE themes designed to keep them safe including FGM, Human Trafficking, grooming, entrapment and Honour-Based violence.
- Students will consider the objective reality of sex and its impact on relationships.

Citizenship

- Students will develop their knowledge on politics, looking at political parties and the voting process.
- There will be a focus this half term on financial capability, budgets and banking, understanding financial products and risks.
- Students will complete Esafety lessons on Health, Wellbeing and Lifestyle.

Careers

- In year 10 students will be given information on post 16 destinations and how to start preparation for leaving school, including how to write a CV.
- Students will undertake several lessons of virtual work experience.

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Student's full nameStudent's tutor group

Signed: Name: Date:

Date: 4th September 2023
Our Ref: PSHCE/2023/SOW/Y11

Dear Parent/Carer,

All schools in the UK are required to offer Relationship and Sex Education as part of a fully comprehensive Personal, Social, Health Education and curriculum.

At St Bede's we have dedicated curriculum time on a weekly basis to deliver the content of both PSHE, RSE, Citizenship and Careers education. The topics covered in these strands are paramount for student's development; enabling them to gain a better understanding of the wider world and society, preparing them for life after St Bede's. This content will allow them to understand how to keep themselves safe and act appropriately if they felt their safety was challenged. This incorporates all elements of safety, both physical and online. Students will be taught by teachers on site at St Bede's, with each teacher forming part of specialist team to promote high quality learning. We will utilise external visitors to enhance our provision when we feel this is supportive and necessary. Please find the topics covered during Year 11 below.

Careers

- In year 11, the primary focus is careers; students will create CV's and personal statements as well as explore post 16 and post 18 destinations.
- Students will complete application forms for post 16 placements and receive guidance and help with this
- They will learn how to develop employment skills and how to prepare for an interview.

RSE

- Students will focus on consolidating prior knowledge, by looking at self-care, eating disorders, addictions and managing fertility.
- Students will participate in lessons that address STI's, coercive control and pornography.

Wider PSHCE

- Students will participate in a Road Safety presentation
- Students will work on exam related stress and revision techniques

At St Bede's we remain committed to ensuring our children bear witness to the values of love, respect and service. Relationship Education is based on the key principles of love and respect. We have invested in the TENTEN resource package to support our delivery of Relationships and Sex Education; this package considers RSE delivery in a Catholic setting and encourages students to make links between RSE and faith. Information on the content covered in our TENTEN sessions can be found on TENTEN's parent portal site

Website: <https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-portal/>

Username: st-bede-dn16 Password: happy-places

We believe Relationships and Sex education forms an important part of learning and understanding within the PSHCE framework, however if you wish to withdraw your child from the Sex Education element of our programme please complete the reply slip below and return to school no later than

Friday 29th September 2023. **Please only complete the slip if you wish for your child to be taken out of sex education.** If you choose to withdraw your child from the sex education curriculum, I will conduct a telephone consultation to establish which areas of the TENTEN resources you wish to withdraw your child from. If you have any questions regarding the programme of study, please contact me at school or via email on vtaylor@stbedesscunthorpe.org.uk
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Year 7

19	FGM, Honour Based Violence and Forced Marriage	The law around violence against women and girls The law around FGM The concept of and laws relating to forced marriage, honour based violence and FGM and how these can affect current and future relationships	LO – To be able to define FGM and Honour Based Violence and to know how to seek support if a situation arises	RSE		Cultural/Moral Disclosures must go to the Police. Refer to: Safeguarding	This needs to be delivered at an age where intervention could have an impact. Research suggests Year 7 are the highest risk group within secondary
20	TENTEN Who am I?		Lo -Pupils will learn that they are a completely unique person, and that, body and soul, they are created and loved by God.	RSE	TENTEN	Refer to: Safeguarding	Mapped by TENTEN to be age appropriate.
21	TENTEN Changing Bodies	that all aspects of health can be affected by choices they make in sex and relationships, positively or negatively, e.g. physical, emotional, mental, sexual and reproductive health and wellbeing.	LO- Pupils will learn that puberty involves physical, emotional and sexual development. Whilst this might feel daunting, they will learn that puberty is God's plan for them and He is with them throughout it all.	RSE	TENTEN	Refer to: Safeguarding	Mapped by TENTEN to be age appropriate.
22	TENTEN Healthy Inside & Out		LO- Pupils will learn about self-esteem: what contributes to it, how it can affect	RSE	TENTEN	Refer to: Safeguarding	Mapped by TENTEN to be age appropriate.

			their lives and how to increase it.				
23	TENTEN Where we come from	<p>why marriage is an important relationship choice for many couples and why it must be freely entered into.</p> <p>how these relationships might contribute to human happiness and their importance for bringing up children.</p> <p>the facts about reproductive health, including fertility, and the potential impact of lifestyle on fertility for men and women and menopause</p>	LO - Pupils will learn about sexual intercourse as more than just a physical act, but a gift from God for married couples as His plan for how babies are made.	RSE	TENTEN	Refer to: Safeguarding	Mapped by TENTEN to be age appropriate.
24	TENTEN Family & Friends	the characteristics of positive and healthy friendships (in all contexts, including online) including: trust, respect, honesty, kindness, generosity, boundaries, privacy, consent and the management of conflict, reconciliation and ending relationships.	LO - Pupils will learn about different types of friendship and family structure, and discuss how better to manage their behaviour through consideration of thoughts, feelings and actions.	RSE		Refer to: Safeguarding	Mapped by TENTEN to be age appropriate.

		This includes different (non-sexual) types of relationship.					
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Year 8

7	TENTEN Created & Chosen		LO - Pupils will learn what makes them scientifically unique, and that our deepest need is to love and be loved.	RSE		Social/Moral/Spiritual/Cultural	Mapped by TENTEN to be age appropriate.
8	TENTEN Appreciating Differences	that there are different types of committed, stable relationships.	LO -Pupils will learn about some of the ways in which people may choose to articulate their identity, including gender and sexual identity.	RSE		Social/Moral/Spiritual/Cultural	Mapped by TENTEN to be age appropriate.
9	TENTEN Feelings		LO - Pupils will learn that an increase in hormone production during puberty leads to physical and psychological changes, including sexual attraction, and methods for managing the feelings involved with these.	RSE		Social/Moral/Spiritual/Cultural	Mapped by TENTEN to be age appropriate.
10	TENTEN Before I was born	the facts around pregnancy including miscarriage that there are choices in relation to	LO -Pupils will learn what happens during the different stages of pregnancy, the importance of pre-natal care and the	RSE		Social/Moral/Spiritual/Cultural	Mapped by TENTEN to be age appropriate.

		pregnancy (with medically and legally accurate, impartial information on all options, including keeping the baby, adoption, abortion and where to get further help).	emotional, real life impact of pregnancies carried to full term and otherwise.				
11	TENTEN Tough Relationships	the legal rights and responsibilities regarding equality (particularly with reference to the protected characteristics as defined in the Equality Act 2010) and that everyone is unique and equal.	LO -Pupils will learn the meaning of terms such as 'prejudice', 'discrimination', 'Protected Characteristics', 'tolerance', 'kindness' and 'forgiveness' and consider what these look like in real terms.	RSE		Social/Moral/Spiritual/Cultural	Mapped by TENTEN to be age appropriate.
12	TENTEN Think before you share	about online risks, including that any material someone provides to another has the potential to be shared online and the difficulty of removing potentially compromising material placed online. not to provide material to others that they would not want shared further and not to share personal	LO - Pupils will learn about the consequences of sharing images of a sexual nature, how to resist pressure to do this, and the importance of setting rules to keep themselves safe online.	RSE		Social/Moral/Spiritual/Cultural	Mapped by TENTEN to be age appropriate.

		<p>material which is sent to them.</p> <p>what to do and where to get support to report material or manage issues online.</p> <p>that sharing and viewing indecent images of children (including those created by children) is a criminal offence which carries severe penalties including jail.</p>					
13	TENTEN Wider World	<p>the legal rights and responsibilities regarding equality (particularly with reference to the protected characteristics as defined in the Equality Act 2010) and that everyone is unique and equal.</p> <p>the characteristics of positive and healthy friendships (in all contexts, including online) including: trust, respect, honesty, kindness, generosity, boundaries, privacy, consent and the management of conflict, reconciliation</p>	LO - Pupils will learn from history that prejudice can grow into discrimination without the courage of upstanders, and that we all can all, through our language and behaviour, play a part in dismantling prejudice at its root.	RSE		Social/Moral/Spiritual/Cultural	Mapped by TENTEN to be age appropriate.

		and ending relationships. This includes different (non-sexual) types of relationship.					
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Year 9

25	TENTEN Love people, use things	that specifically sexually explicit material e.g. pornography presents a distorted picture of sexual behaviours, can damage the way people see themselves in relation to others and negatively affect how they behave towards sexual partners.	Lo - Pupils will learn about objectification, and consider the negative impact of casual sex, pornography and masturbation.	RSE	TENTEN Resources	Social/Moral/Cultural/Spiritual	Mapped by TENTEN to be age appropriate.
26	TENTEN In control of my choices	that they have a choice to delay sex or to enjoy intimacy without sex. how people can actively communicate and recognise consent from others, including sexual consent, and how and when consent can be withdrawn (in all contexts, including online).	Lo - Pupils will learn about love and lust, shame and regret and delaying sexual intimacy: all with a view to making wise, informed and mindful choices.	RSE	TENTEN Resources	Social/Moral/Cultural/Spiritual	Mapped by TENTEN to be age appropriate.

27	TENTEN Fertility & Contraception	<p>that they have a choice to delay sex or to enjoy intimacy without sex.</p> <p>the facts about the full range of contraceptive choices, efficacy and options available.</p>	LO - Pupils will learn about methods for managing conception and discuss how they uphold or contravene God's plan for sex.	RSE	TENTEN Resources	Social/Moral/Cultural/Spiritual	Mapped by TENTEN to be age appropriate.
28	TENTEN One hundred percent	<p>that some types of behaviour within relationships are criminal, including violent behaviour and coercive control.</p> <p>how people can actively communicate and recognise consent from others, including sexual consent, and how and when consent can be withdrawn (in all contexts, including online).</p> <p>that there are a range of strategies for identifying and managing sexual pressure, including understanding peer pressure, resisting pressure and not</p>	LO - Pupils will learn that consent is not just gaining permission for something, but choosing to honour and respect one another as persons with innate dignity.	RSE	TENTEN Resources	Social/Moral/Cultural/Spiritual	Mapped by TENTEN to be age appropriate.

		<p>pressurising others.</p> <p>how information and data is generated, collected, shared and used online</p>					
29	TENTEN Knowing my rights	<p>that some types of behaviour within relationships are criminal, including violent behaviour and coercive control.</p> <p>how people can actively communicate and recognise consent from others, including sexual consent, and how and when consent can be withdrawn (in all contexts, including online).</p> <p>that there are a range of strategies for identifying and managing sexual pressure, including understanding peer pressure, resisting pressure and not pressurising others.</p>	LO - Pupils will learn about physical consent, sexual exploitation and human rights	RSE	TENTEN Resources	Social/Moral/Cultural/Spiritual	Mapped by TENTEN to be age appropriate.

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Year 10

14	TENTEN Authentic Freedom	the characteristics of positive and healthy friendships (in all contexts, including online) including: trust, respect, honesty, kindness, generosity, boundaries, privacy, consent and the management of conflict, reconciliation and ending relationships. This includes different (non-sexual) types of relationship that they have a choice to delay sex or to enjoy intimacy without sex .	LO - Pupils will learn about the objective reality of sex, and how this might impact people's decisions around relationships, including their own hopes and wishes for the future.	RSE	TENTEN Resources	Social/Moral/Spiritual/Cultural	Mapped to be age appropriate by TENTEN
15	TENTEN Self-Image	that there are a range of	LO - Pupils will learn about different	RSE	TENTEN Resources	Social/Moral/Spiritual/Cultural	Mapped to be age

		strategies for identifying and managing sexual pressure, including understanding peer pressure, resisting pressure and not pressurising others.	experiences of body shame, explore notions of 'dignity' and 'modesty' in relation to the body and consider that our bodies are good, as part of our unique, inseparable combination of body and soul.				appropriate by TENTEN
16	TENTEN – Beliefs, Values and Attitudes	that there are a range of strategies for identifying and managing sexual pressure, including understanding peer pressure, resisting pressure and not pressurising others. how stereotypes, in particular stereotypes based on sex, gender, race, religion, sexual orientation or disability, can cause damage (e.g. how they might normalise non-consensual behaviour or encourage prejudice)	LO -Pupils will learn the meaning of the terms 'beliefs', 'values' and 'attitudes', how crucial they are in shaping our choices and that we should interrogate them regularly to ensure we are living the way we intend.	RSE	TENTEN Resources	Social/Moral/Spiritual/Cultural	Mapped to be age appropriate by TENTEN

17	TENTEN Parenthood	why marriage is an important relationship choice for many couples and why it must be freely entered into. the roles and responsibilities of parents with respect to raising of children, including the characteristics of successful parenting.	LO - Pupils will learn about the 1959 Declaration of the Rights of the Child and how this impacts on legal Parental Responsibility, as well as considering the emotional and practical commitment that being a parent entails.	RSE	TENTEN Resources	Social/Moral/Spiritual/Cultural	Mapped to be age appropriate by TENTEN
18	TENTEN Pregnancy & Abortion	the facts around pregnancy including miscarriage. that there are choices in relation to pregnancy (with medically and legally accurate, impartial information on all options, including keeping the baby, adoption, abortion and where to get further help).	LO - Pupils will learn about the stages of life in the womb, abortion methods and legality, and sex as so often being divorced from the possibility of parenthood	RSE	TENTEN Resources	Social/Moral/Spiritual/Cultural	Mapped to be age appropriate by TENTEN

