

## Parental Consultation - Relationship and Health Education

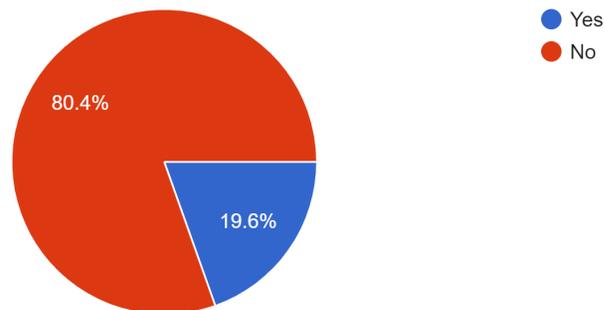
We recently invited you to complete our RHE (Relationships and Health Education) Parental Consultation and would like to thank you for taking part.

As a school community we are committed to working in partnership with parents and all stakeholders within it and, as such, your feedback is invaluable. We had an overwhelmingly positive response and appreciate your time and consideration of this Programme of Study.

We had 46 responses in total.

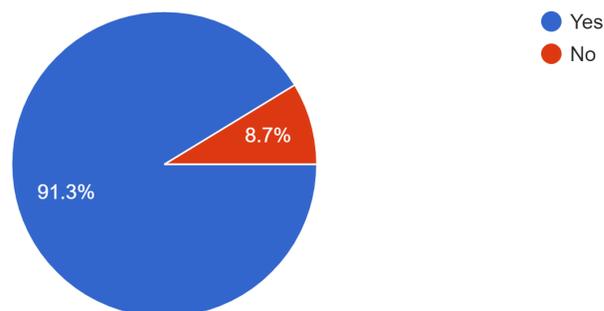
Are there any changes or additions that you think should be made to the 'Jigsaw' outline and content?

46 responses



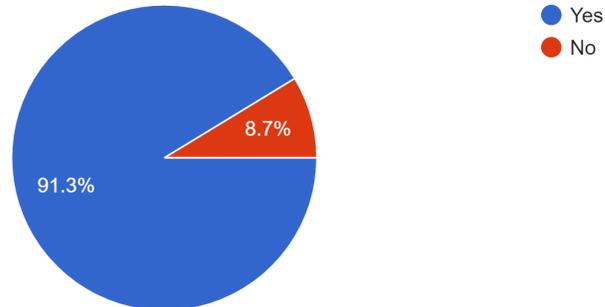
Do you think it is appropriate to teach primary children about healthy relationships?

46 responses



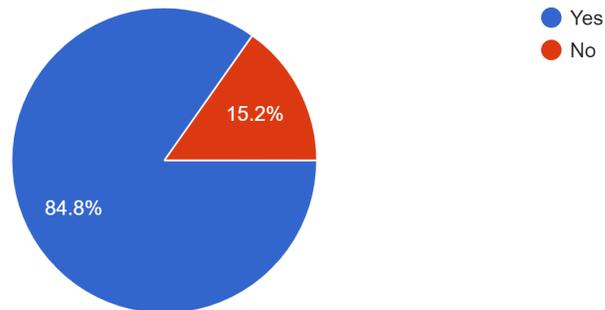
Do you think it is appropriate to teach primary children the correct body parts?

46 responses



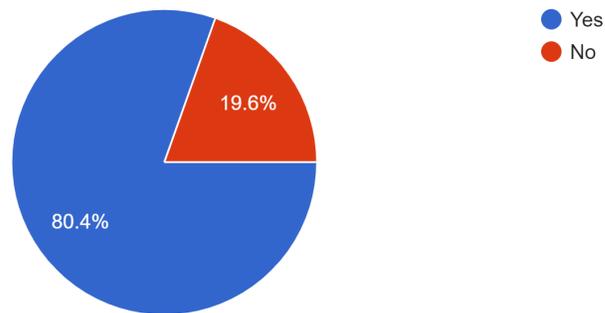
Do you think it is the appropriate to teach primary children about puberty?

46 responses



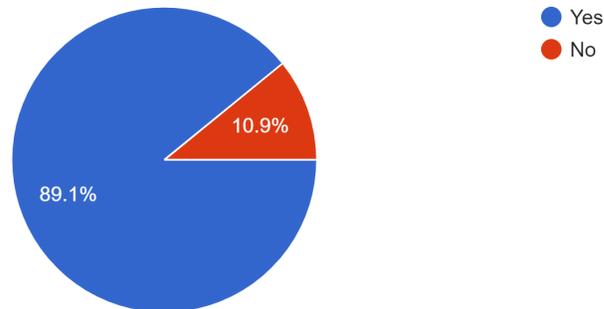
Do you think it is appropriate to teach primary children about human reproduction?

46 responses



Do you feel confident talking to your child about growing up and relationships?

46 responses



**What is the most important message you want your child to learn from Relationships and Health Education? (Some quotes from our parents)**

Be kind and supportive to others regardless of their race, religion or background in primary age.	Respect others views/choices and to not feel pressured into doing anything. He is aware of opportunities when he is older that he can do if he makes the right choices.
How to grow up safely in today's world - understanding others, being different, asking questions when unsure and the importance of being confident in his own body/mind.	It's okay to be different.
To have confidence and knowledge.	Everyone is equal whatever their gender or family background. and that we should be open and honest about our feelings and also it is ok to say no to something or someone.
To be open and not be worried or embarrassed about bringing this topic up and seeking advice if they're unsure about future health and relationships.	Follow your heart.
She can make her own choices and she will be respected for them.	To feel comfortable in herself and about others.

**Pike Fold response to some key areas from Parental Feedback:**

Key areas	Pike Fold response	Links to Scheme of Work
<p>What topics will be covered in Relationships and Health Education?</p>	<p>In school Relationships and Health Education topics will be taught using the Jigsaw scheme of work within our Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) curriculum. All information is on the school website.</p>	<p>Please find the long term plan and further information on the school website <a href="http://www.pikefold.manchester.sch.uk">www.pikefold.manchester.sch.uk</a></p>
<p>Is school the best place for discussions about Growing up and Relationships?</p>	<p>We know from surveys of children, that if they do not get the correct and accurate information about sex and relationships from a reliable source, they will find the information from other sources (friends, older siblings, websites, TV) which may not be true or age appropriate. The information gathered during the Government consultation found that most children wanted this information and discussion to be provided in school with their teachers so that they could ask their questions in a safe space, and have them answered in an age-appropriate way.</p>	

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<p>LGBT is against my religious beliefs, so why are you teaching about different sexuality choices?</p>	<p>We are teaching about equality. We understand and respect all faiths. We are teaching children not to be afraid of difference but to celebrate difference. Any discussion or resources used will be to help your child be respectful and tolerant towards others. We are preparing the children for life in Britain. Britain is diverse and they are going to meet people who are different to them as they grow up.</p> <p>Lots of primary schools are already doing great work to teach their children about different families, and to prevent and tackle homophobic, biphobic and transphobic bullying.</p> <p>The difference is that now, every school will need to teach children about relationships and families. The guidance for primary schools says that this can include LGBT families, and that means teaching children that it's OK to have two mums, two dads, or any other family structure.</p>	

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<p>What will my child actually be taught about puberty and human reproduction?</p>	<p>Jigsaw's 'Changing Me' unit is taught over a period of 6 weeks, usually in the second half of the summer term. Each year group will be taught appropriate to their age and developmental stage, building on the previous years' learning. Please note: at no point will a child be taught something that is inappropriate; and if a question from a child arises and the teacher feels it would be inappropriate to answer, (for example, because of its mature or explicit nature), the child will be encouraged to ask his/her parents or carers at home. The question will not be answered to the child or class if it is outside the remit of that year group's programme.</p>	<p>Under the National Curriculum, the basics of Sex Education fall within the science curriculum. The statutory content requires maintained schools to teach children about human development, including puberty, and reproduction.</p> <p>Our curriculum is designed to prepare pupils for the changes that occur to their bodies, minds and emotions as a consequence of growth from childhood to adulthood.</p>
<p>Can I withdraw my child from RHE lessons?</p>	<p>You will not be able to withdraw your child from any aspect of Relationships or Health Education. You can withdraw your child (following a discussion/meeting with the headteacher) from any or all aspects of Sex Education, other than those which are part of the science curriculum. However at Pike Fold we are not teaching any sex education that is not part of the Science Curriculum therefore your child will take part in all aspects of the PHSE curriculum.</p> <p>We know that good Relationships and Health Education equips children with the</p>	<p>Parents will not be able to withdraw their child from Relationships Education in primary school or secondary school.</p> <p>Maintained primary schools are required to teach National Curriculum science, which includes some elements of sex education. Parents do not have a right to withdraw from this.</p> <p>If you have any questions or concerns about elements of the curriculum you must arrange to speak with Mrs Farnell-Hill, headteacher.</p>

	<p>knowledge to keep themselves safe and understand when a relationship or encounter may be risky or harmful. Without accessing this information through school, children or young people might look to less reliable resources online, which may offer inaccurate or harmful advice.</p>	
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