

First parents' meeting Diamond nine - What the Church of England has said

Relationships and sex are good gifts from God and should bring joy. In our experience young people most desire to learn about (and have modelled for them) good, healthy relationships. (Church of England response to the call for evidence on RSE p. 1)	Relationships education and RSE must give pupils the understanding, vocabulary and strategies they require to keep themselves safe and to thrive within good, stable long-term relationships of all kinds (Church of England response to the call for evidence on RSE p. 1)
For Church schools, RSE is not just 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 vison for the purpose of life. (Church of England response to the call for evidence on RSE)	Does the school have an approach to relationships and sex education (RSE) that ensures children are able to cherish themselves and others as unique and wonderfully made, and to form healthy relationships where they respect and offer dignity to others. (SIAMS Evaluation Schedule: 2018)
In any Church of England school classroom, it is likely that not all will agree on issues to do with human sexuality, marriage and gender identity. However there needs to be a fruitful loving commitment to remain in relationship with each other and honour the dignity of their humanity. (Valuing All God's Children, Church of England p. 11)	The new guidance is about promoting healthy resilient relationships set in the context of character and virtue development, with a focus on respecting others, including the beliefs and practices of people with a specific faith commitment, as well as those from the many different types of families that make up our cultural context. (Bishop calls for partnership between parents and schools to teach RSE - Rt Revd Stephen Conway, Bishop of Ely, 2019)
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