

# What about sex education?

Sex education is not compulsory in primary schools, beyond what is laid out in the National Curriculum for Science:

- **Year 1:** Identify, name, draw and label the basic parts of the human body and say which part of the body is associated with each sense.
- **Year 2:** Notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults
- **Year 5:** Describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals; describe the changes as humans develop to old age [They should learn about the changes experienced in puberty.]

## The RSE statutory guidance states that:

*Where a maintained primary school chooses to teach aspects of sex education (which go beyond the national curriculum for science), the school must set this out in their policy and all schools should consult with parents on what is to be covered. Primary schools that choose to teach sex education must allow parents a right to withdraw their children. Unlike sex education in RSE at secondary, in primary schools, head teachers must comply with a parent's wish to withdraw their child from sex education beyond the national curriculum for science.*

The Kapow Primary scheme of work includes **two** Year 6 lessons which parents have the opportunity to withdraw their children from all/part of the lesson: *Safety and the changing body*: [Lesson 5: Conception](#) and [Lesson 6: Pregnancy and birth](#).

We suggest that you consult with parents about the content of these lessons prior to teaching them, to provide them time to consider the content and to withdraw their child if they so wish.

EYFS: Reception

**Self-regulation: My feelings**

Learning to explore and understand their feelings, identify when they may be feeling something, and begin learning how to communicate and cope with their feelings and emotions.

**Building relationships: Special relationships**

Exploring why families and special people are valuable, understanding why it is important to share and developing strategies to help with this, seeing themselves as valuable individuals and exploring diversity by recognising similarities and differences.

**Managing self: Taking on challenges**

Considering why we have rules and the importance of persistence and perseverance in the face of challenges, learning how to communicate effectively with others, practicing 'grounding' coping strategies.

**Self-regulation: Listening and following instructions**

Listening to stories to practise their comprehension skills, playing games which require them to listen carefully to instructions to succeed, considering how rumours can spread quickly and change as they do so.

**Building relationships: My family and friends**

Exploring cultural festivals that are important to individuals, reinforcing the importance of sharing and turn taking through role-play, considering the ingredients for a good friend, exploring how kind words make others feel good, recognising the value in working together as a team.

**Managing self: My wellbeing**

Learning why exercise is important for our physical and mental health, considering the effect of different types of exercise on the body, discussing some of the ways in which we can take care of ourselves, learning how to travel safely as a pedestrian, considering the importance of making balanced food choices.

## Year 1

Introductory lesson: A stand-alone lesson outlining RSE & PSHE as a subject and exploring how to create a successful learning environment for these lessons.

Families and relationships	Health and wellbeing	Safety and the changing body	Citizenship	Economic wellbeing
Exploring how families can be different, the characteristics and impact of positive friendships; learning that issues can be overcome, that people show feelings differently and that stereotyping is unfair.	Exploring personal qualities, strategies to manage feelings, the impact of sleep and relaxation on wellbeing, the importance of hand washing and sun protection, dealing with allergic reactions and people in the community who keep us healthy.	Learning how to respond to adults in different situations; distinguishing appropriate and inappropriate physical contact; understanding what to do if lost and how to call the emergency services; identifying: hazards in the home and people in the community who keep us safe.	Learning about: the importance of rules and consequences of not following them; caring for the needs of babies, young children and animals; exploring our similarities and differences and an introduction to democracy.	Learning about what money is and where it comes from, how to keep cash safe, the function of banks and building societies, spending and saving and some of the jobs roles in schools.

Transition lesson: Helping Year 1 pupils with the transition to a new year and the changes that come with it.

## Year 2

Introductory lesson: A stand-alone lesson outlining RSE & PSHE as a subject and exploring how to create a successful learning environment for these lessons.

Families and relationships	Health and wellbeing	Safety and the changing body	Citizenship	Economic wellbeing
Learning: that families are composed of different people who offer each other care and support; how other people show their feelings and how to respond. Looking at conventions of manners and developing an understanding of self-respect.	Learning: about the benefits of exercise and relaxation on physical health and wellbeing; strategies to manage different emotions, setting goals, developing a growth mindset and understanding dental hygiene.	Developing understanding of safety: roads and medicines and an introduction to online safety; distinguishing secrets from surprises; naming body parts and looking at the concept of privacy.	Learning about rules outside school; caring for the school and local environment; exploring the roles people have within the local community; learning how school councils work and voicing an opinion.	Learning about where money comes from, how to look after money and why we use banks and building societies.

Transition lesson: A lesson for Year 2 pupils to help them with their transition to Year 3, and the changes that may come with this move.

### Year 3

Introductory lesson: A stand-alone lesson outlining RSE & PSHE as a subject and exploring how to create a successful learning environment for these lessons.

Families and relationships	Health and wellbeing	Safety and the changing body	Citizenship	Economic wellbeing
Learning: how to resolve relationship problems; effective listening skills and about non-verbal communication. Looking at the impact of bullying and what action can be taken; exploring trust and who to trust and that stereotyping can exist.	Understanding that a healthy lifestyle includes physical activity, a balanced diet, rest and relaxation; exploring identity through groups we belong to and how our strengths can be used to help others; learning how to solve problems by breaking them down.	Learning how to: call the emergency services; responding to bites and stings; be a responsible digital citizen; learning about: cyberbullying, identifying unsafe digital content; influences and making independent choices and an awareness of road safety.	Learning about children's rights; exploring why we have rules and the roles of local community groups, charities and recycling and an introduction to local democracy.	Introduction to creating a budget and learning about: the different ways of paying, the emotional impact of money, the ethics of spending and thinking about potential jobs and careers.

Transition lesson: Helping Year 3 pupils prepare for the transition to Year 4 and the changes that come with this.

### Year 4

Introductory lesson: A stand-alone lesson outlining RSE & PSHE as a subject and exploring how to create a successful learning environment for these lessons.

Families and relationships	Health and wellbeing	Safety and the changing body	Citizenship	Economic wellbeing
Learning that families are varied and differences must be respected; understanding: physical and emotional boundaries in friendships; the roles of bully, victim and bystander; how behaviour affects others; appropriate manners and bereavement.	Developing emotional maturity; learning that we experience a range of emotions and are responsible for these; appreciating the emotions of others; developing a growth mindset; identifying calming activities and developing independence in dental hygiene.	Building awareness of online safety and benefits and risks of sharing information online; the difference between private and public; age restrictions; the physical and emotional changes in puberty; the risks associated with tobacco and how to help someone with asthma.	Learning about Human rights and caring for the environment; exploring the role of groups within the local community and appreciating community diversity; looking at the role of local government.	Exploring: choices associated with spending, what makes something good value for money, career aspirations and what influences career choices.

Transition lesson: Helping Year 4 pupils prepare for the transition into Year 5 and the changes, challenges and opportunities this brings.

## Year 5

Introductory lesson: A stand-alone lesson outlining RSE & PSHE as a subject and exploring how to create a successful learning environment for these lessons.

Families and relationships	Health and wellbeing	Safety and the changing body	Citizenship	Economic wellbeing
Developing an understanding: of families, including marriage, of what to do if someone feels unsafe in their family; that issues can strengthen a friendship; exploring the impact of bullying and what influences a bully's behaviour; learning to appreciate our attributes.	Learning to take greater responsibility for sleep, sun safety, healthy eating and managing feelings; setting goals and embracing failure; understanding the importance of rest and relaxation.	Exploring the emotional and physical changes of puberty, including menstruation; learning about online safety, influence, strategies to overcome potential dangers and how to administer first aid to someone who is bleeding.	An introduction to the justice system; how parliament works; and the role of pressure groups; learning about rights and responsibilities, the impact of energy on the planet and contributing to the community.	Developing understanding about income and expenditure, borrowing, risks with money and stereotypes in the workplace.

Transition lesson: Helping Year 5 pupils prepare for the transition to Year 6 and the opportunities and responsibilities this brings.

## Year 6

Introductory lesson: A stand-alone lesson outlining RSE & PSHE as a subject and exploring how to create a successful learning environment for these lessons.

Families and relationships	Health and wellbeing	Safety and the changing body	Citizenship	Economic wellbeing
Learning: to resolve conflict, through negotiation and compromise; about respect, understanding that everyone deserves to be respected and about grief.	Learning about diet, oral hygiene, physical activity and the facts around immunisation. Exploring rest and relaxation and how they affect physical and mental health. Strategies for being resilient in challenging situations and planning for long-term goals.	Learning about: the reliability of online information, the changes experienced during puberty, how a baby is conceived and develops, the risks associated with alcohol and how to administer first aid to someone who is choking or unresponsive.	Learning about: human rights, food choices and the environment, caring for others, recognising discrimination, valuing diversity and national democracy.	Exploring: attitudes to money, how to keep money safe, career paths and the variety of different jobs available.
				Identity
				Two lessons on the theme of personal identity and body image.

Transition lesson: Helping pupils prepare for the transition to secondary school, including exploring any worries or anxieties they may have.