RSE Comments feedback

The questions from the questionnaire are written in red, any written responses we received from parents/carers are written in black (with bullet points) and our responses to these points are written in purple.

Thank you.

Q4. Are there any parts of our Relationships and Sex Education Policy that you do not understand or need further clarity on?

- Further clarification on what is being taught specifically in regards to the transgender community needs to be made a lot more clear within the policy. Parents should be aware of what information is being given to children of all ages. 28/10/2023 12:24
- All of it. Was unaware of its existence 27/10/2023 16:24
- Haven't read it 27/10/2023 16:05

The DfE states that Primary schools are strongly encouraged and enabled to cover LGBT+ content when teaching about different types of families. This is how we intend to cover this aspect of British life and will be approached when looking at the different types of family units – sexuality choices will not be covered as part of the curriculum at this stage. Teachers will be sensitive to the needs and experiences of individuals. Stories are used to promote discussions about different types of family, such as And Tango Makes Three by Justin Richardson. Children will be taught that families are created in many different ways and each is unique, special and valued.

Please refer to the policy or ask your child's class teacher for more information on what is being covered.

Q5. In your experience, are you satisfied with the way Relationships and Sex Education is taught at Markeaton?

- My son is in his first year, so I don't know yet. 28/10/2023 16:42
- My older children attended Markeaton and I never had an issue then. Not sure if it has changed much as my kids are 16 and 20 now 28/10/2023 10:48
- I don't know
 27/10/2023 16:35
- It's fine. 27/10/2023 16:32

- N/A Child in Year 2 27/10/2023 16:24
- Don't know how it's delivered 27/10/2023 16:05
- I don't really know how it is taught 05/11/2023 23:42
- I have no idea about how it is taught 05/11/2023 23:38
- Is my son first year of reception. I'm looking forward to see how RSE is taught at Markeaton. 03/11/2023 16:24

If you want to know more about how RSE is taught at Markeaton, we welcome you to look at our Relationships, Sex Education Policy 2023 on our website.

Q6. Have you any suggestions and/or ideas for how Relationships and Sex Education at Markeaton could be delivered more effectively?

- I don't really know how it is taught 05/11/2023 23:42
- Parents should have more say in what their children are being taught and what they can opt out of learning. There are some elements that school should leave to the parents. Make it clear to children that it is an open school and if children need to talk about things they can, this can be done without having to influence a whole school 28/10/2023 12:24
- I personally feel primary school students are too young to be taught such topics. It takes away their innocence. But overall I don't like this blanket approach. It should vary from child to child.
 27/10/2023 16:38
- Greater discussion and education around diverse and LGBTQ+ relationships would be welcome. 27/10/2023 16:06
- Guest speakers and specialists for certain topics are a good idea eg LGBTQ+ as I feel many adults and teachers are uncertain or uncomfortable with the topic 27/10/2023 16:05

Each year group is taught RSE through an age appropriate manner that is embedded within our curriculum. if a particular child/group needs more support with certain topics, additional provisions are in place.

"Effective RSE does not encourage early sexual experimentation. It should teach young people to understand human sexuality and to respect themselves and others. It enables young people to mature, build their confidence and self-esteem and understand reasons for delaying sexual activity.

Effective RSE also supports people throughout life to develop safe, fulfilling and healthy sexual relationships at the appropriate time."

DfE Statutory Guidance for Relationships and Sex Education (RSE)

Please also refer to this document regarding what you can decide you want your child to opt out of.