

RSE Meeting for Parents

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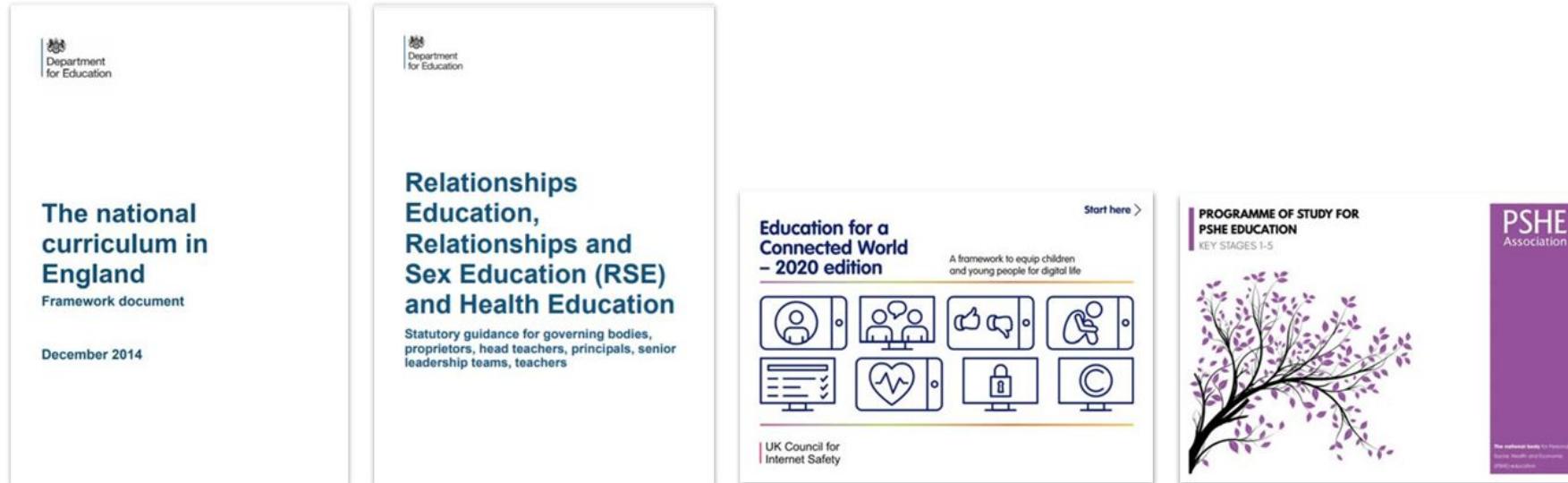


Why a new scheme?

- Teachers felt the previous scheme was getting out of date
- Resources used were becoming old
- Using Kapow for the whole of PSHE curriculum
- Progression materials
- Clear lesson content, updated resources, relevant to children's needs
- Becomes part of the PSHE curriculum rather than "those lessons"
- It enables children to be more open and able to have conversations and ask questions. We want the children to receive the right information from the right people.



Kapow – curriculum content covers:



Kapow Primary scheme of work



Kapow Primary key areas - Key stages 1 and 2



Family and relationships

Learning how to: form respectful relationships with others, deal with conflict and bullying and the importance of challenging stereotypes.

Health and wellbeing

Learning strategies for looking after their mental and physical health, including: healthy eating, relaxation techniques, sun safety, immunisation facts and the benefits of sleep.

Safety and the changing body

Learning: how to administer first aid in a variety of situations and about safety around medicines, online and road safety and the changes which occur during puberty,

Citizenship

Learning about: human rights and the rights of the child, democracy, diversity and community and protecting the environment.

Economic wellbeing

Learning how to make decisions when it comes to spending, budgeting and saving money and exploring different career choices.

Year 6 only:

Identity

Considering what makes us who we are whilst learning about body image.





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](#).



Progression through Safety and the Changing Body

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3

Safety and the changing body

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.

Safety and the changing body

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.

Safety and the changing body

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.



Progression through Safety and the Changing Body

Year 4

Year 5

Year 6

Safety and the changing body

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.

Safety and the changing body

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.

Safety and the changing body

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.



Detailed progression

Sub-strand	EYFS (Reception)		Year 1		Year 2	
	Skills	Knowledge	Skills	Knowledge	Skills	Knowledge
Being safe (including online)	Considering why it is important to follow rules. Exploring what it means to be a safe pedestrian.	To know that some rules are in place to keep us safe. To know how to behave safely on the pavement and when crossing roads with an adult.	Practising what to do if I get lost. Identifying hazards that may be found at home. Understanding people's roles within the local community that help keep us safe.	To know that some types of physical contact are never appropriate. To know what to do if I get lost. To know that a hazard is something which could cause an accident or injury.	Discussing the concept of privacy. Exploring ways to stay safe online. Learning how to behave safely near the road and when crossing the road.	To know the PANTS rule. To know that I should tell an adult if I see something which makes me uncomfortable online. To understand the difference between secrets and surprises. To know the rules for crossing the road safely.
Drugs, alcohol and tobacco	N/A	N/A	Learning what is and is not safe to put in or on our bodies.	To know that some things are unsafe to put onto or into my body and to ask an adult if I am not sure.	Exploring what people can do to feel better when they are ill. Learning how to be safe around medicines.	To know that medicine can help us when we are ill. To understand that we should only take medicines when a trusted adult says we can.
The changing adolescent body	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	To know the names of parts of my body including private parts.



Sub-strand	Year 3		Year 4	
	Skills	Knowledge	Skills	Knowledge
Being safe (including online)	<p>Exploring ways to respond to cyberbullying or unkind behaviour online.</p> <p>Developing skills as a responsible digital citizen.</p> <p>Identifying things people might do near roads which are unsafe.</p> <p>Beginning to recognise unsafe digital content.</p>	<p>To understand that cyberbullying is bullying which takes place online.</p> <p>To know the signs that an email might be fake.</p> <p>To know the rules for being safe near roads.</p>	<p>Discussing how to seek help if I need to.</p> <p>Exploring what to do if an adult makes me feel uncomfortable.</p> <p>Learning about the benefits and risks of sharing information online.</p>	<p>To understand that there are risks to sharing things online.</p> <p>To know the difference between private and public.</p>
Drugs, alcohol and tobacco	<p>Exploring that people and things can influence me and that I need to make the right decision for me.</p> <p>Exploring choices and decisions that I can make.</p>	<p>To understand that other people can influence our choices.</p>	<p>Discussing the benefits of being a non-smoker.</p>	<p>To understand the risks associated with smoking tobacco.</p>
The changing adolescent body	N/A	N/A	<p>Discussing some physical and emotional changes during puberty.</p>	<p>To understand the physical changes to both male and female bodies as people grow from children to adults.</p>



Sub-strand	Year 5		Year 6	
	Skills	Knowledge	Skills	Knowledge
Being safe (including online)	Developing an understanding of how to ensure relationships online are safe.	To know the steps to take before sending a message online (using the THINK mnemonic). To know some of the possible risks online.	Developing an understanding about the reliability of online information. Exploring online relationships including dealing with problems.	To understand that online relationships should be treated in the same way as face to face relationships. To know where to get help with online problems.
Drugs, alcohol and tobacco	Learning to make 'for' and 'against' arguments to help with decision making.	To know some strategies I can use to overcome pressure from others and make my own decisions.	Discussing the reasons why adults may or may not drink alcohol.	To understand the risks associated with drinking alcohol.
The changing adolescent body	Learning about the emotional changes during puberty. Identifying reliable sources of help with puberty.	To understand the process of the menstrual cycle. To know the names of the external sexual parts of the body and the internal reproductive organs. To know that puberty happens at different ages for different people.	Discussing problems which might be encountered during puberty and using knowledge to help.	To understand how a baby is conceived and develops.

Year 1

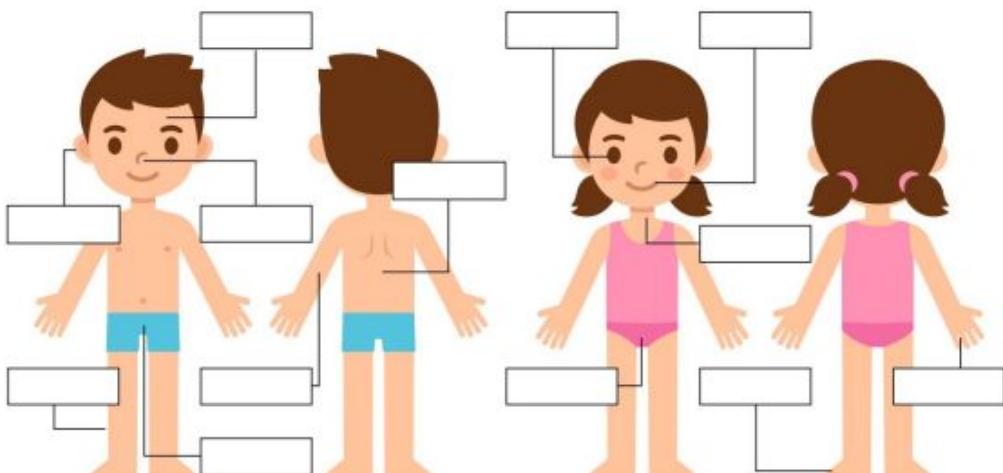
How is my child taught about puberty and human reproduction?

Each year group will be taught at an appropriate level for their age and developmental stage, building on the previous years' learning.

Children of ages 5-6 are taught:

- Acceptable and unacceptable physical contact.
- The differences between boys' and girls' bodies.
- Scientific names for body parts (mixed-age lessons will also include the teaching of the following body part names: testicles, penis, vulva and vagina).

All lessons are taught using the correct, scientific terminology, child-friendly language and diagrams.



Year 2

How is my child taught about puberty and human reproduction?

Each year group will be taught at an appropriate level for their age and developmental stage, building on the previous years' learning.

Children aged 6-7 will:

- Learn about 'boys' and girls' bodies.
- Scientific names for body parts.
- Understand that private parts are private.

All lessons are taught using the correct, scientific terminology, child-friendly language and diagrams.



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Ear	Nose	Mouth	Back	Penis	Vulva	

Year 4

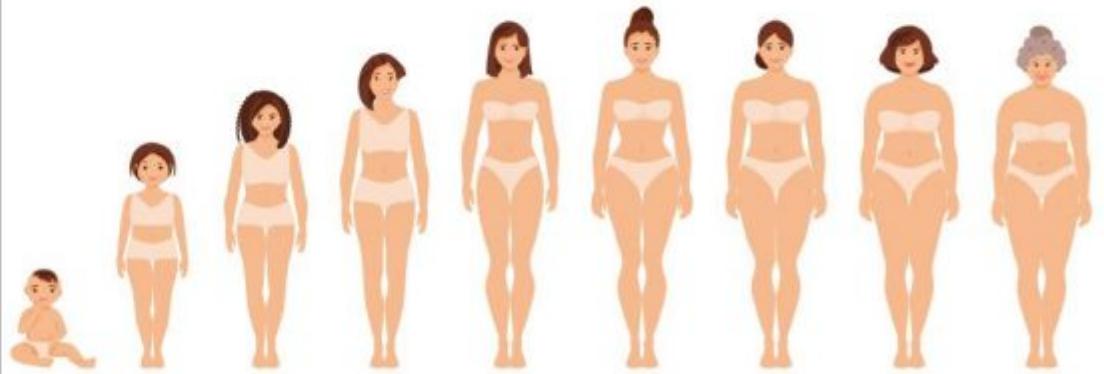
How is my child taught about puberty and human reproduction?

Each year group will be taught at an appropriate level for their age and developmental stage, building on the previous years' learning.

Children aged 8-9 will:

- Learn about some of the physical changes pupils will experience as they go through puberty.
- Understand that physical change is part of growing up.
- Identify the changes that males and females go through as they grow and develop from being a child to an adult.

Female body changes





Year 5

How is my child taught about puberty and human reproduction?

Each year group will be taught at an appropriate level for their age and developmental stage, building on the previous years' learning.

Children aged 9-10 will learn about:

- The menstrual cycle and other changes that happen during puberty.
- Emotional changes that occur during puberty.

Label or draw on Figure 1 to show some of the hygiene issues someone going through puberty might experience e.g. greasy hair, spots, smelling differently.

Label or draw on figure 2 what someone could do to help address these issues e.g. washing their hair more often, showering frequently and using deodorant.

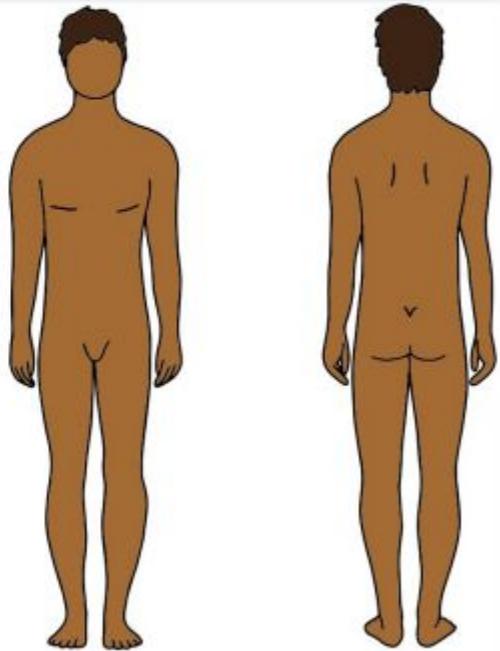


Figure 1

Figure 2



Year 6

How is my child taught about puberty and human reproduction?

Each year group will be taught at an appropriate level for their age and developmental stage, building on the previous years' learning.

Children aged 10-11 will:

- Further develop their understanding of the physical and emotional changes that happen during puberty.
- Learn about the biology of conception. (Parents have the right to withdraw their child from the 'Main event' part of this lesson.)
- Learn how a baby develops in the womb and is born. (Parents have the right to withdraw their child from the lesson.)



Delivery of the lessons

- Within class PSHE lessons taught by usual teacher
- Ground rules to ensure all feel safe, able to discuss as needed, appropriate conversation
- Knowledge organisers
- Question box
- Nobody put on the spot



Withdraw

- Y6 parents have the right to withdraw their child from 2 lessons.
 - Learn about the biology of conception. (Parents have the right to withdraw their child from the 'Main event' part of this lesson.)
 - Learn how a baby develops in the womb and is born. (Parents have the right to withdraw their child from the lesson.)
- This must be in writing to Mrs Hodgson
- Parents' rights will be honoured



How to help support your child from home

- Top Tips sheet for each year group
- Have open conversations
- Let the child know you are there to answer any questions or discussion points
- We will encourage to talk about the lessons at home



Further information on specific year group coverage

- Vocabulary
- Explore content via laptop
- Example worksheets
- Chance to ask questions individually

Thank you so much for attending. We hope you found it useful.