



**SOUTH MOLTON**  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
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# Sex Education Policy

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**PRINCIPLES**

The school takes the view that young people are entitled to have responsible and relevant sex education as a key element of personal and social education and in line with government guidelines. It has a duty to inform and educate students to prepare them for successful adulthood, which includes understanding of and the constructive use of sexuality.

## **AIMS**

- To promote the understanding of sexual attitudes and behaviour among young people.
- To assist the development of informed, reasoned and responsible decisions.
- To help develop self-esteem and self-confidence in young people as the foundation for responsible and caring relationships.
- To help young people be positive and confident about the physical, emotional and moral aspects of sexual maturity and enable them to make considered choices and decisions within their life.

## **Pastoral Curriculum**

1. In Key Stage 3 the curriculum includes adolescence, puberty and fundamental sex education
2. In Key Stage 4 the curriculum revisits and builds on topics already covered and is extended to include issues such as pregnancy, sexually transmitted infections and making appropriate and informed decisions.

The school nurse is involved in curriculum delivery and also offers personal advice and consultation if required.

3. Additional coverage of Sex Education is also provided in other curriculum areas, for example in Science.

## **Inter Agency Cooperation**

Apart from formal inclusion in the curriculum other agencies will be used to offer advice, support and an extension of services. These include Health, Social Services, Education Welfare Officer, Youth Worker and the Police. We cannot offer confidentiality to any pupil, although help, support and advice will be available.

## **Parents/Guardians**

Parents/Guardians will be made aware of the curriculum structure and be able to contact the school for advice where necessary. They are informed of their right to withdraw children from the programme of sex education.