

Sex and relationship education – opting out

Government guidelines outline that, from the age of 11, it is compulsory for all schools to provide a sex and relationship education programme.

At Knightsfield School, we believe that it is important to provide our pupils with a thorough and balanced curriculum, including age-appropriate information about sex and relationships.

The details of what will be taught to the various year groups is detailed in the Sex Education Policy, which can be accessed on our school website.

Though schools must provide sex and relationship education for pupils from the age of 11, up until the age of 19, only aspects of the science national curriculum are compulsory for pupils to learn. Therefore, as parents/carers, you are entitled to request that your child be removed from sex and relationship education lessons at any time while they are at the school.

Should you wish to do this, please complete the form below and return it to the School Office. The headteacher will discuss this with you and your child's teacher and determine an appropriate substitute for these lessons. In most instances, children will be provided with self-directed reading or exercises which they can complete under the supervision of a trainee teacher.

If you have any concerns or queries about your child's participation in these lessons, please do not hesitate to contact your child's form teacher to discuss these.

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I would like to remove my child from sex and education lessons with immediate effect.

Pupil Name:

Parent Name:

Parent Signature: Date: