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**The Hayfield School Policy Statement: SEX AND RELATIONSHIPS EDUCATION**  
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**RATIONALE AND PURPOSE:**

- Prepare pupils for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of adult life.
- Provide all pupils with accurate information about health matters relating to sex.
- Help pupils clarify the attitudes and values which influence health choices.

**BROAD GUIDELINES:**

All teachers of PD will ensure that:-

- Information they give to pupils is relevant to the age group, factually correct and up-to-date.
- They do not give 'advice' to pupils, but are given telephone numbers and addresses of local organisations from whom they may receive counselling on any teenage concerns including matters concerning drugs or of a sexual nature. These numbers and addresses are also displayed on the PD noticeboard outside the PD resources room.
- They respect and encourage confidentiality in the classroom. PD ground rules are negotiated at the start of each year with each class and their teacher in an attempt to establish an atmosphere of mutual trust. It is expected that as a matter of professionalism members of staff will respect confidences shared in the classroom situation.
- They will follow school procedures/policy if a child confides that she/he is about to or has embarked on a course of conduct likely to place her/him at moral or physical risk, or in breach of the law.
- If any parent has exercised the right to withdraw their child from all or part of the Sex Education programme, then that right will be respected and the child will be given other appropriate work to do outside the classroom, but under the guidance of the teacher or an LSA.

*Other supporting documents available:*

- Sex Education Policy Booklet
- Section 241 of Education Act 1993 - Child withdrawal
- DFEE SRE Guidance 7/00
- DfEE Circular 5/94
- Child Abuse Policy