### **RATIONALE**

A key aim of the school is that each student will develop the skills and knowledge to make decisions. Decisions about how they relate to others can only be made if they have adequate knowledge and understanding of their own physical and emotional development. This is not a task for the school in isolation, and we seek to work with parents to ensure that the teaching of sex education reflects their expectations and complements teaching at home. Parents will be informed about the teaching of sex education so that they can decide whether or not to withdraw their child.

### WHO WILL BE CONSULTED?

All staff and parents will be consulted about this policy and the contents of the schemes of work.

### RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER POLICIES

Sex education forms an integral part of the curriculum policy, and the schemes of work for science, citizenship, and personal, social, and health education (PSHE), and relates to child protection.

### **GUIDELINES**

Roles and responsibilities of Headteacher, other staff, governors

### 1. The governing body will:

- decide what sex education should consist of and how it should be organised (recognising the statutory obligation to provide information about HIV; AIDS and sexually transmittable diseases;
- seek the advice of the Headteacher on this policy and keep it up to date;
- ensure that sex education is provided in a way that encourages students to consider morals, the value of family life, and the importance of loving relationships.

### 2. The **Headteacher** will ensure that:

- the governing body is advised about the nature and organisation of sex and relationships education and how it reflects the aims and values of the school;
- sex education is provided in a way that encourages students to consider morals, the value of family life, and the importance of loving relationships;
- students are protected from inappropriate teaching materials;
- a scheme of work is agreed and implemented;
- parents are informed about the programme for sex education, and make the policy available to them.

### 3. Staff who teach sex and relationships education are expected to:

- provide sex education in accordance with this policy and in a way which encourages students to consider morals and the value of family life:
- participate in training to provide sex education in line with the school curriculum policy;
- implement the agreed scheme of work;
- draw to the attention of the Headteacher any materials which they consider to be inappropriate;
- respond appropriately to those students whose parents wish them to be withdrawn from sex education.

### ARRANGEMENTS FOR MONITORING AND EVALUATION

The Headteacher will provide a report on the implementation of the scheme of work once each year in July, together with a record of parental and student complaints, the number of students

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SIGNATURE	NAME	DATE