



St Charles' Catholic Primary School

The Governors at St Charles' Catholic Primary School have adopted the 'Journey in Love' programme to support the teaching of Relationships and Sex Education throughout the school. The programme of study is authentic to the teaching of the Catholic Church, and approved by the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. It is designed to create the best possible learning environment for the children: an environment where trust and respect are promoted. This contributes significantly to the development of good behaviour, ownership and responsibility. The programme covers:

- The individual – physical and emotional growth is common to all of us and is a normal part of becoming an adult.
- The physical – the difference between boys and girls is part of God's creative and loving work.
- The social – the Church's teachings in relation to personal responsibility and the dignity of the person.
- The emotional – the importance of emotions and how they can shape our actions.
- The spiritual – our spiritual relationship with God links together and transforms all aspects of our person.

As parents/carers, you have the right to withdraw your child from this aspect of the curriculum. However, you do not have the right to withdraw your child from the aspects that fall within the science curriculum which is statutory for all children.

If you require any further clarification regarding our Relationships and Sex Education Policy, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Walker, our RE coordinator.