
SEXUALITY EDUCATION POLICY

1. PHILOSOPHICAL BASIS

We at Essex Heights Primary School believe that Sexuality Education is important to promote health and respectful relationships, and to assist students to make responsible and safe decisions. Sexuality Education promotes students' social skills, health and well being and encompasses the biological, social and emotional aspects of sexuality.

We aim to provide age appropriate guidance and support to the children of Essex Heights Primary School while recognising that Sexuality Education is a responsibility shared between the school, parents and health professionals.

Comprehensive Sexuality Education is a compulsory part of the school's health education curriculum laying a foundation to be built upon in Secondary School.

2. GUIDELINES

- 2.1 The school's Sexuality Education Program will be based on the Department of Education and Training (DET) resource "Catching on Early" which is a developmental program based on the Victorian Curriculum.
- 2.2 Parents will be informed, each year, about the content of the program for their child's level.
- 2.3 External Health Professionals may be used from time to time to support the planning and delivery of the program.
- 2.4 The diversity of all students, family values and beliefs will be respected.
- 2.5 The school will direct families to appropriate external resources.
- 2.6 School staff who have a central role in planning and delivering this program will be provided with training and leadership support.

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