

Scoil Thomais, Laurel Lodge, Castleknock, Dublin 15
Relationships and Sexuality (RSE) Policy – Revised 2016

The following appropriate language will be taught to the children as part of the specific RSE lessons at each class level

| Class level | Strand/Unit | Content objectives | RSE language to teach at class level | Resource | Teaching the Lesson |
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| Junior/Senior Infants | Strand Unit Taking Care of My Body | ...name parts of the male and female, using appropriate anatomical terms | Junior & Senior Infants term " <i>chest</i> " to identify upper body in boys and girls terms " <i>penis</i> " & " <i>vagina</i> " will be taught as the obvious physical difference between boy and girl | RSE TEACHER BK- SNF Theme 7 - MY BODY Pg 147 – 156 (p150*) | 'Bathing the Baby Doll' Using anatomically correct male and female dolls with toy bath and bathing equipment (e.g. water, soap, brush, cloth, suds etc.) |
| | Strand Unit Growing & Changing | ... develop an awareness of human birth that a baby grows and is nurtured in the mother's womb until ready to be born | term ' <i>mummy's tummy</i> ' will be taught as special place where baby grows until born term " <i>breastfeeding</i> " may be used in as a means of feeding the baby | RSE TEACHER BK - SNF Theme 7 - CARING FOR NEW LIFE Pg 137 – 145 | Story: Conor's New Baby Sister or Arrange Visit of Mother & Baby to Class |
| First/Second Class | Strand Unit Taking Care of My Body | ...name parts of the male and female, using appropriate anatomical terms, and identify some of their functions * *Refer to function of organs (e.g. lungs, stomach, kidneys etc.) | 1st & 2nd Class: Revise: term " <i>chest</i> " to identify upper body in boys and girls 1st & 2nd Class: Revise: terms " <i>penis</i> " & " <i>vagina</i> " will be taught as the obvious physical difference between boy and girl @ 1st Class : Introduce term ' <i>urine</i> ' to explain that which is released by the kidneys when going to the toilet (boys and girls) @ 2nd Class: Introduce term ' <i>urethra</i> ' in girls and ' <i>penis</i> ' in boys for passing urine. NOTE: the function of the male and female reproductive system will not be referenced. | RSE TEACHER BK - SNF Theme 7 - MY BODY Pg 153 RSE TEACHER BK – 1 st Theme 7 – HOW MY BODY WORKS Pg 70+71 RSE TEACHER BK – 2 nd Theme 7 – WHEN MY BODY NEEDS SPECIAL CARE Pg 166+ 167 | 'At the Seaside Picture' with questions from RSE TEACHER BK P.153 Game - I Spy to Identify Senses + Lesson Food We Eat Lesson: How Our Bodies Work |
| | Strand unit Growing & Changing | ...appreciate what is necessary in order to provide and care for newborn babies in both the animal and human world | 1st Class: Introduce term ' <i>womb</i> ' as the special place where baby grows until born @ 2nd Class: teach that the baby is in the womb for 9 months and may be breast fed or bottle fed when born | RSE TEACHER BK – 1 st Theme 6 – THE WONDER OF NEW LIFE Pg 61+ 69 RSE TEACHER BK – 2 nd Theme 6 – THE WONDER OF NEW LIFE Pg 153+154 | Visit of pet animal to the class or use pictures of animals 2 nd Class: Minding Babies Lesson |

RSE-specific lessons to be timetabled to ensure whole school approach to teaching content
 Parents will be informed in advance of the teaching of the 'sensitive' RSE lessons each class level.