Our Relationship & Sexuality Programme Aims:

- To mark puberty as a normal, natural occurrence that occurs in everyone's lives.
- To encourage greater understanding and sensitivity about changes in both males and females.
- To encourage greater acceptance of individual difference/diversity in adolescent physical and emotional changes.
- To encourage discussion and communication with trusted adults around sexuality-related issues.
- To explore and continue to develop values and attitudes around sexuality.
- To establish a safe environment that allows students to discuss sexuality openly and comfortably.

More Resources:

- Education.govt.nz <u>https://parents.education.govt.nz/primary-school/</u> learning-at-school/sexuality-education/
- **Open and Honest Workbook**: information and activities for parents and puberty-aged young people including labelled diagrams of body parts (Years 1-10)

www.familyplanning.org.nz/media/303779/workbook-open-and-honest-parents-2012.pdf

• <u>www.nationalonlinesafety.com</u> free online safety guides for parents & carers

Thoughts to leave you with:

- You as parents are the primary sexuality educators.
- Sexuality education should be a continuous process, taught every day with casual discussions, rather than the 'big talk'.
- Be ask-able! Look for teachable moments and topics arising naturally.
- Be comfortable with the definition of sexuality.
- Use the correct words for body parts.
- Be honest about what you know/don't know & offer help to find out.
- Build and maintain trust respect your child's privacy & confidentiality.
- Acknowledge to children that your own views and others' views can be different, and that's okay.

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Sexuality is:

- Knowing yourself as a unique individual.
- Being comfortable with who you are.
- Having a sense of belonging.
- Communicating your needs and wants.





RELATIONSHIPS AND SEXUALITY OVERVIEW Yrs 1-10

	Year 1-2 (Curric. Level 1)	Year 3-4 (Curric. Level 2)	Year 5-6 (Curric. Level 3)	Year 7-8 (Curric. Level 4)	Year 9 & 10 (Curric. Levels 5 & 6)
Theme 1: A Positive Learning Environment	being a kind and helpful classmate. cooperative and listening skills	positive classroom community cooperative skills	safe learning environment to ask and answer questions about aspects of sexuality	safe learning environment to ask and answer questions about aspects of sexuality	connect big ideas about relationships and sexuality + ways we grow and develop to their language, culture and identity
Theme 2: Who am I?	personal strengths of self and others + similarities and differences describe self and place in whānau + explore diverse family structures self in relation to gender & exploring gender roles	personal strengths and qualities own culture, whānau and identity & what makes it unique + similarities and differences gender identity and gender stereotypes what makes me happy + the benefits of happiness & positive wellbeing	what makes you unique + enhancing your own self-worth and that of others stereotypes of different media + influence on identity and self-worth gender stereotypes and impact on relationships, roles and behaviours	ways we grow and develop (relationships and sexuality) connecting to own identity balancing rights and responsibilities in different situations stereotypes and social messages impacting on identity cultural attitudes	positive aspects of being a teenager + overcoming the challenges gender stereotypes influencing sense of identity + challenging these diverse societies + attitudes to gender and sexual diversity + strategies to support self and others
Theme 3: Relationships	respecting others, making new friends & being a good friend expressing ideas and feelings + how thoughts and feelings are affected by other people's comments and actions roles and responsibilities in the family	types of relationships and enhancing these express and manage emotions and feelings in appropriate ways positive and negative peer pressures + practice responses enhancing family relationships and wellbeing + responsibilities at home	types of relationships + qualities of positive relationships managing relationship challenges and possible impacts on wellbeing communication skills and understanding different perspectives consent & ownership of our own bodies	different types of relationships + how others can support us through tough times affirming diversity in relationships + discrimination and challenging discrimination assertiveness and decision-making skills concept of intimacy + what giving and receiving consent looks like	healthy relationships, rights and responsibilities + strategies to support and identifying negative behaviours non-verbal communication + passive, aggressive and assertive behaviours Consent declining and ending relationships respectfully attitudes and values about sex
Theme 4: Growing and Changing	my growing body, the things it can do and how it moves my body parts and how to clean and care for our bodies	general ways bodies change from birth to now & throughout life identifying necessary things for healthy growth and development Identify things they like about their bodies how to care for our bodies	stages of growth and terminology for body parts changes during puberty (+ menstruation and the male reproductive system) truths and myths about hygiene (and media influences) + looking after bodies before, during and after puberty	pubertal change + practical ways of managing changes and feelings body image + fostering positivity human reproductive systems and functions + using correct terms sequence of conception + exploring contraception	continued how people experience pubertal change + practical ways of managing changes and feelings understand conception and menstruation + ways to manage this and support each other
Theme 5: Staying Safe	Identifying bullying & strategies to stand up for self and others My body is mine; safe and unsafe touching & intro to consent who can help me stay safe online safety	Identify bullying + strategies to stand up for self and others ownership of our bodies, giving and receiving consent, what to do and say when feeling uncomfortable Keeping self safe, online safety + how to get help & manage worries	(consent and bullying falls into Theme 3: Relationships) available supports & ways of supporting others safety online	using feelings to identify if a situation or relationship is safe + what to do next Identify and manage impacts of cyberbullying pornography, sexting + strategies for keeping safe + finding support	STIs, sexual health of self & others + strategies to negotiate safer sex factors that affect safer sex + accessing sexual health care decision-making skills for informed choices & cyber-safety