ELBURTON PRIMARY SCHOOL: SEX EDUCATION POLICY

Elburton Primary School's Sex Education Policy identifies what will be taught beyond that set out within the National Curriculum for Science.

This policy will be reviewed annually following evaluation by School Staff involved, Health Care Professionals (if involved) from which a report will be presented to the relevant governors sub-committee for consideration, and if necessary change, to the school's Sex Education Policy.

The school's Sex Education Policy will be based on the DVD 'All About Me' and section 1 of the BBC DVD 'Growing Up'. These DVDs offer clear information on changes that occur during adolescence and puberty.

It offers information on:

- outside changes to the body
- internal changes to the body
- emotional changes
- guidelines for healthy living during puberty
- giving birth
- fertilization of the egg.

Teachers and other adults involved in the follow up work to the DVD will be able to use the language and contents in the videos but any questions that go beyond this will be referred to the child's parents or guardians to answer.

These are the relevant elements of the vocabulary used in the video:

Puberty, sex-organs. breasts, testicles, penis, pubic hair, eggs, sperm, embryo, scrotum, erection, semen, wet dreams, urethra, urine, rectum, anus, ovary, fallopian tube, uterus, cervix, vagina, periods, menstruation, ovulation, pregnant, hormones, fertilisation, clitoris, foreskin.

The DVD 'All About Me' should be shown to all Year 5 and 6 pupils in Summer Term each year. Year 6 pupils will also see the BBC DVD 'Growing Up' (section 1). This allows the Year 6 pupils to revisit the issues as well as move on in their knowledge and understanding.

The process will be as follows:

- 1) DVD viewed by parents after school before being viewed by pupils
- 2) Permission slips received for Year 5/6 pupils to watch the DVD and take part in the follow up discussions
- 3) Children to watch DVD(s) with teaching staff (am)
- 4) Children invited to submit written questions about the subject matter in the DVD(s) immediately after watching it
- 5) Year 5 and Year 6 Girls to discuss appropriate questions with the school nurse or School staff if the nurses are not able to come in, during the afternoon of the day they have seen the DVD(s). Also to be given guidance on menstruation and facilities at school. Boys questions will be answered by school staff if this is felt necessary and appropriate.