

A national teaching and learning resource for Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenthood (RSHP) education

https://rshp.scot





The following slides are about what we do in a part of our Health and Wellbeing curriculum that we call *Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenthood (RSHP)* education.

Lairdsland has decided to use a new national resource that you can see at <u>https://rshp.scot/</u>

Our RSHP curriculum has been in place for some years, it is part of Curriculum for Excellence. This is a new resource, designed to help us to deliver the existing RSHP curriculum.

What is the resource?



- A teacher or early years practitioner can use the resource to support teaching and learning.
- All content is age and stage appropriate for learners 3-18 years, organised by Curriculum for Excellence Levels, from Early Level through to Senior Phase.
- It can be used in formal and informal learning settings.
- Content is up-to-date and engaging and meets the needs of learners with additional support needs, including mild to moderate learning disabilities.



Why does RSHP matter?





• <u>https://vimeo.com/361263347</u>

What will I find in the resource?

- The resource is made up of a series of Activity Plans that describe how a teacher can approach an aspect of RSHP education.
- The Activity Plans are supported by PowerPoints or other resources the lesson might need.
- There is information for parents and carers, ideas about communicating between school and home, reading lists for school libraries and reading at home.
- The resource is accessible and open to everyone; parents and carers can see what is being delivered in Lairdsland.
- The resource was developed by a partnership of Local Authorities and Health Boards, with advice from Education Scotland and Scottish Government.

Why has it been developed?



- There is a need to improve the quality, relevance, consistency and coverage of RSHP education.
- We need to deliver RSHP education that helps protect children and young people from harm and supports them to understand that friendships and personal relationships should be healthy, happy and safe.
- The resource helps teachers to source material that is age and stage appropriate, so that they can focus on building relationships with learners.
- We need our RSHP education to reflect a modern and inclusive Scotland where we value and respect the human rights of everyone.

Is the RSHP resource age and stage appropriate?





• <u>https://vimeo.com/361994410</u>

What do we do at Early Level?



When it comes to **families and friendships**, children learn:

- That all our families are different, and that people who are important to the children provide care and love.
- How to make and keep friendships, thinking about how they get along with other children, play together, co-operate and share. This can include learning about personal space and to recognise and respect how another person is feeling.
- About the importance of kindness and showing kindness to others.

When it comes to every child being unique and special children learn:

- That people are individual and unique.
- About the similarities and differences among children in their group.
- To understand that treating someone badly based on a difference is not okay.

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When it comes to **their bodies**, children learn about:

- Names for parts of their body and that parts of their body are private.
- Keeping clean and why this is important learning about hand washing and brushing teeth.

When it comes to **feelings and making choices** children learn:

- To recognise and express their feelings, including when they might feel safe or unsafe, happy or worried.
- To identify adults that they can go to if they have a question or a worry, introducing the idea of trust.

When it comes to **looking after them and other living things** children learn about:

- Where living things come from.
- The needs of plants, animals and babies.
- That there are professional people who help and care for them

Information for parents and carers about RSHP learning at Early Level at school and at home: https://rshp.scot/early-level/

What do children and young people want from their RSHP education?

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- Across this resource, and in Lairdsland's approach to RSHP education, there is an acknowledgement that parents and carers are the primary educators of their children.
- In delivering RSHP education parents/carers will be given advance knowledge of topics and lessons.
- By learning together at home and school we can help consolidate learning it's a partnership approach.