



# Isca Academy

## Statement on the Right to Withdraw a Child from Sex and Relationship Education

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Isca Academy believes in the importance of a full and rounded education, which includes the study of Personal Social Health Education and Sex and Relationships. We comply fully with the Right to Withdraw a Child from Sex and Relationship Education (SRE) lessons.

As an Academy, we follow the guidance on SRE provided by the then Department for Children, Schools and Families in 2010, which remains in force. This guidance explains that the right of withdrawal does not extend to other areas of the curriculum.

The use of the right to withdraw should be at the instigation of parents and it should be made clear whether it is from the whole of the subject or specific parts of it. No reasons need to be given.

At Isca Academy, we fully acknowledge that parents have the right to choose whether or not to withdraw their child from SRE without influence from the school, although we endeavour to ensure that parents or carers are informed of this right and are aware of the educational objectives and content of the PSHE/SRE programme of study. In this way, parents can make an informed decision. Where parents have requested that their child is withdrawn, Isca Academy respects that request and discusses the arrangements with the parents or carers to explore how the child's withdrawal can be best accommodated.

If students are withdrawn from SRE, Isca Academy will supervise them during SRE time on school premises and will provide other appropriate work so that learning time is not lost.