

St. Michael's Primary School, Killean

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The school held a Parents' Evening last week aimed at supporting Primary 5, 6 & 7 parents. The Primary 7 Changing Cycles Programme was discussed along with how to support children going through changes and Relationships and Sexual Education (RSE) throughout the school.

In St. Michel's Killean, RSE is taught through the Flourish Programme.

What is Flourish?

The Flourish programme is a RSE resource for use in Catholic Primary Schools on the island of Ireland. It aims to view the subject through a Catholic lens, fostering respect for self and others, helping the child, with the support of their family, to develop a moral compass. It is designed to be used in conjunction with the Department of Education RSE programme. The programme is taught from Primary 1 to Primary 7.

A Holistic Approach

Our Catholic schools are dedicated to the education of the whole human person - physical, intellectual, spiritual, religious, emotional, and moral. Through RSE, the Catholic school "educates and forms pupils for relationships with self, with others, with our created world, and with God."

Child-centred & age appropriate

Our school adopts a child-centred approach to the delivery of RSE. Teachers will ensure that the programme is tailored to the age, maturity, and understanding of pupils. In St. Michael's, we will only teach the lessons which we as a school feel are age appropriate and in line with our school ethos.

If you wish to view the lessons and resources, please click the following link:

<https://catholiceducation-ni.org/about-us-2/rse-resources/>

If you have any questions or queries regarding RSE or the Flourish Programme, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

Mr McAteer