

What's wrong with RSE?

Schools in Birmingham have been in the news recently over strong parental opposition to Relationships and Sex Education - or 'RSE'.

Today, at the Annual Conference of the Association of School and College Leaders, Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Education, Rt Hon Damian Hinds MP, is down to give a keynote speech on Friday morning 15th March 2019.

Mr Hinds presented new Government Guidelines on RSE in Parliament on 25th February 2019. He said parents will have the right to withdraw their children up to the age of fifteen out of Sex Education but will have no right to withdraw them from Relationships Education.

Homosexual agenda

However, parents are aware that Relationships Education is the very place homosexual activists use to promote their agenda.

Gay activist Andrew Moffat developed his 'Challenging Homophobia in Primary Schools' for Relationships Education here in Birmingham, at Chilwell Croft Academy, a primary school. His agenda could not be more explicit. He even 'came out' as gay to the pupils during an assembly. In December 2013 Moffat was forced to resign after pressure from Christian parents.

No Outsiders

Undaunted, the activist skipped across town to Parkfield Community School, another primary. There he developed 'No Outsiders'. It might have a nice inclusive-sounding name, but no-one is fooled. Even without the use of books like 'Mommy, Mama and me', 'King and king', 'My Princess Boy', this is yet more LGBT propaganda.

Parental (& Ofsted) Reaction

Parents at Parkfield staged three protests against Andrew Moffat and 'No Outsiders' on successive Thursdays outside the school.

Ofsted Chief Inspector Amanda Spielman then condemned the parents and their protests calling for 'sane, rational discussion'. If a policy was 'not working well enough' then 'it's proper conversation that will change it, not protests,' she sniffed. That is breathtaking establishment arrogance. And she's completely wrong!

The parents upped their protests, taking their children out of school on Fridays. And now the school has started to listen. They won't hold any more 'No Outsiders' in classes this term. But they will do it in assemblies! So there is movement but the head has still not quite got it.

Reinforce, or undermine, parents?

On 25th February MPs also debated a petition of 110,000 calling for parents to have the right to opt their children out of all and any aspects of RSE. During the debate, Schools Minister Nick Gibb said: 'These subjects are designed to complement and reinforce the role of parents by building on what children learn at home.' That's a lie. LGBT RSE does not 'build on' what parents are teaching their children, but undermines it.

Declaration of cultural war

Then Mr Gibb said: '... it is of course vital that, by the time they become adults and participate in British society, pupils understand, respect and value all the protected characteristics in the Equality Act 2010.' It's 'vital' that pupils 'respect and value' homosexuality and transsexualism? No person of faith can possibly agree to that. It's a declaration of cultural - or even religious - war.

'Vital' children learn about gays?

Spelling it out clearly, Amanda Spielman, due to give the last keynote address to Conference on

Saturday afternoon, used the same word.

It was 'vital', she said, that children knew about 'families that have two mummies or two daddies'. Why is it 'vital' for the state and the schools it funds to promote homosexuality, knowing that will lose the goodwill of parents?

Human Rights Act

The parents say they don't want their children 'learning it's OK to be gay'. Nor, for that matter, do they want their daughters coming home from school saying they are boys, or vice versa.

The Human Rights Act 1998, First Protocol, Article 2: Right to Education, states:

'... In the exercise of any functions which it assumes in relation to education and to teaching, the State shall respect the right of parents to ensure such education and teaching is in conformity with their own religious and philosophical convictions.'

The propaganda must end

It is possible that mandating schools to consult parents about RSE on a rolling basis as the 2020 Guidelines require may remove the threat of LGBT propaganda.

And if that is all 'Relationships Education' is for, perhaps parental involvement will find it out.

In any case, the 2020 Guidelines must contain a cast-iron guarantee that parents may withdraw their children from all aspects of Relationships and Sex Education, not just the 'Sex' part.

What Christians believe

People of all faiths and indeed of none are concerned about RSE and parental rights, but as we are a Christian group, we'll just take this opportunity to bring you up to speed with what we believe.

We say God is the Almighty Creator of heaven and earth. He created us male and female with marriage as the first social institution of society.

As the Lord Jesus himself said to the Pharisees in a debate on marriage:

Matthew 19:4 And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female,

5 And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh? (Scriptures are from the KJV)

God gave us his righteous laws to live by and to ensure a stable society. Trying to go another way brings instability and ultimate destruction. Teachers daily see the results of lawlessness, lack of respect for life, person and property, fractured families, sexual obsession, rampant individualism and hedonism daily in the classroom.

A bit of good news for a change

At a personal level, sin separates us from God, but belief in the death and resurrection of Jesus forgives your sin and gives you the power of the Holy Spirit to live a new, better, forgiven life.

The first public words of Jesus, recorded in Mark's Gospel, were:

Mark 1:15: 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent ye and believe the Gospel'.

But the Gospel does not just mean forgiveness and salvation, it brings healing and deliverance. Whatever sin or spiritual power is oppressing you or holding you back, you will find release and freedom in Jesus to live life to the full. Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ today, and know his purpose for your life. The Bible says:

Romans 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

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A teachers' conference being held on Friday 15th and Saturday 16th March 2019 in Birmingham will hear from Education Secretary Damian Hinds and Ofsted Chief Amanda Spielman.

Mr Hinds says parents can remove their children from Sex Education but not from Relationships Education. Yet 'Relationships Education' has become a hotbed of LGBT propaganda, to which so many parents object.

Meanwhile, Amanda Spielman says it is 'vital' that children know about 'families that have two mummies or two daddies'. Why is it 'vital' for the state and the schools it funds to promote homosexuality? Just what is going on here?

As we are a Christian group, in this leaflet we discuss spirituality and religious faith.

Questions like: What is God's plan for men and women? What did Jesus Christ say about marriage? Why should society do things God's way? How can my sins be forgiven?

You'll find our attempt to answer these questions in this leaflet. We pray God's blessing on all you do according to his will.

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