

The government announced in October 2008 its intention to make Sex and Relationship Education (SRE) compulsory.

REALITY OF SRE

- ❖ Sex Education as taught in science is compulsory. SRE which is normally taught in PSHEe (Personal, Social, Health and Economic education) is not compulsory.
- ❖ Every parent needs to ask their local school for their SRE policy. This document sets out the policy of the school regarding the teaching of SRE. The existence of this document is a legal requirement and parents are allowed to request a copy (Section 404 of the Education Act 1996).
- ❖ The SRE policy also sets out the process by which parents can withdraw their child from SRE lessons taught within PSHEe.
- ❖ Governing bodies have the responsibility to write an SRE policy. They also have to consult parents before they do this.

CAMPAIGN

- ❖ We need to protect the Islamic identity of our children in the face of planned changes to make SRE compulsory.
- ❖ We need everyone to sign the online petition.

All masajid should:

- ❖ Encourage their musallee to sign the paper based petition after Jumma.
- ❖ Read the document 'SRE – A Muslim community perspective'.
- ❖ Organise a seminar/workshop in the masjid to raise awareness about this important issue.
- ❖ Encourage parents and community leaders to become effective governors in schools.
- ❖ Contact us for support.

All resources to run the campaign in your area are available on <http://sreislamic.wordpress.com>

Please contact us to arrange a presentation in your area

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