RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS EDUCATION
IN TASMANIAN GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS

Did you know?

1 in 4 women will experience violence at the hands of a current or former partner.

Safe Home, Safe Families; Tasmania’s Family Violence Action Plan 2015-2020 is the Tasmanian Government’s, coordinated, whole-of-government action plan to respond to family violence.

Domestic and family violence is never acceptable and everyone has a responsibility to act.

Our children are the key to stopping the next generation of family violence.

Where to start

• Schools are places where children learn how to interact with others and work together in a respectful way.
• Schools model respectful relationships and can help students to understand that no one should be abused.
• Respectful Relationships Education is the explicit teaching of how to develop and maintain respectful relationships.
• Respectful Relationships Education ensures that all Tasmanian communities value a culture of respect.
• Respectful Relationships Education is a whole community approach to teaching and reinforcing a culture of creating and maintaining respectful relationships with everyone.

For your child

• We work together to ensure we have safe, respectful and inclusive schools so that all students have the opportunity to be their best.
• Students are taught strategies that support a positive sense of identity.
• Support a students abilities to recognise and respond appropriately to theirs and other people’s emotions.
• Develop each child’s awareness of feeling safe and secure.
• Teaching and learning activities that provide explicit opportunities for learning about gender stereotypes and roles, keeping safe, respectful relationships.
For you

• Respectful Relationships Education will support families and communities to ensure students understand how to interact with others and to develop positive respectful relationships as they grow and become adults themselves.

• Parents are welcome to familiarise themselves with the Respectful Relationships Education package by either approaching their local school or going online at www.respectfulrelationships.education.tas.gov.au

• As part Respectful Relationships Education schools will be conducting community and parent information opportunities.

Where can I get more information?

• Talk to your child’s teacher or principal.

• Visit www.respectfulrelationships.education.tas.gov.au

• Visit the Department of Education website: www.education.tas.gov.au