

# RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS EDUCATION

IN TASMANIAN GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS

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## 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](http://www.respectfulrelationships.education.tas.gov.au)
- As part of 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](http://www.respectfulrelationships.education.tas.gov.au)
- Visit the Department of Education website: [www.education.tas.gov.au](http://www.education.tas.gov.au)



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