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Re: Relationship and Sex Education

Dear parents and carers,

The Department for Education has announced changes to relationships and sex education (RSE).

These changes will come into effect from September 2020 and all schools will be required to comply with the updated requirements.

This means that we'll be reviewing our RSE curriculum and policy so we can be sure our RSE provision is appropriate for our pupils based on their:

Age

Physical and emotional maturity

Religious and cultural backgrounds

Special educational needs and/or disabilities

What is PSHE?

PSHE (Personal, Social, Health and Emotional) development

Scheme used: PSHE Association

During key stages 1 and 2, PSHE education offers both explicit and implicit learning opportunities and experiences which reflect pupils' increasing independence and physical and social awareness as they move through the primary phase. It builds on the skills that pupils started to acquire during the





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Early Years Foundation stage (EYFS) to develop effective relationships, assume greater personal responsibility and manage personal safety, including online. PSHE education helps pupils to manage the physical and emotional changes at puberty, introduces them to a wider world and enables them to make an active contribution to their communities.

PSHE is taught weekly in all year groups and objectives are shared with parents on the class pages of the website and displayed in classrooms.

Relationships and Sex Education (RSE)

From September 2020, all primary schools are required to teach relationships and health education in school. All primary schools have also been asked to consult on sex education. From September 2020 we will teach sex education in year 5 and 6. We will teach sex education; however, this is not compulsory and parents can opt out of this. This is what we will have in place until we are in a position to review the current situation.

Here's how you can help:

Naturally I cannot share resources with you in school at the moment but I would like you look at the following government documents on line:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/relationships-education-relationships-and-sex-education-rse-and-health-education-faqs>

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/836503/6.5987_DfE_Consult-Paper_Relationships-Parental_A4-P_Op4_v7_weba.pdf





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I have attached what will be in place for September 2020. If you have any objections or concerns please email the admin address in the first instance.

Once we have organised the resources in school you will be able to look at these and we will share with you the details of lessons. Please note that when we teach sex education we still require your consent and a letter will be sent to you requesting your consent. This will continue to happen in both Year 5 and Year 6.

Thank you for your time in reading the documents and in the completion of the google form that will also be shared with you.

Yours sincerely,
Kevin Moloney

