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Consultation PSHE Curriculum

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Dear Parents and Carers,

In September 2020, The Department for Education announced changes to Relationships and Sex education (RSE) statutory guidance. All schools are required to comply with the updated requirements.

In light of this, we have reviewed our PSHE curriculum and policy, so we can be sure our provision is appropriate for our pupils based on:

- Age and maturity levels, as well as their cultural and religious backgrounds
- The values of our school community
- Every pupil's learning needs
- What pupils need to know to be healthy and safe in school, in their personal relationships and in the wider world
- What pupils need to know in order to be prepared for puberty and give them an understanding of, and the importance of, health and hygiene
- The importance of developing feelings of self-respect, confidence and empathy
- Creating a positive culture around issues of safe loving relationships

We have already agreed that we will only teach elements of Sex Education as outlined in the Primary Science curriculum. Our PSHE curriculum is about the emotional, social and cultural development of pupils and involves learning about positive relationships, healthy lifestyles, diversity and personal identity. It involves a combination of sharing information and exploring issues and values in a safe and secure environment. Our PSHE curriculum underpins our whole school ethos and in addition to this, is taught in discrete lessons.

To help ensure our PSHE curriculum incorporates not only the statutory guidance, but also our school's needs, we are consulting parents on our new PSHE curriculum using 'Jigsaw'.





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Stage 1

Online consultation. To help you understand the curriculum requirements we need to meet, please take a look at attached

- Jigsaw Long Term Plan and Medium Term Plans. This is the planning documentation recommended by the Department for Education.
- Draft PSHE Policy for consultation
- Statutory Guidance from DfE
- Frequently asked questions

Parents also have an opportunity to respond to our proposed curriculum via a Survey Monkey questionnaire, which will be available from Wednesday 31st August- Wednesday 7th September.

Stage 2

Following the Stage 1 consultation, we will update our PSHE curriculum and policy taking in to account any feedback or suggestions. A copy of our new curriculum and policy will then be available on our website. It will then be ratified by Governors.

Thank you for taking the time to participate in this consultation.

Yours sincerely,

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DfE frequently asked question SRE Statutory guidance

Through our PSHE curriculum, we want to support all young people to be happy, healthy and safe – we want to equip them for adult life and to make a positive contribution to society.

Below, we have explained some of the common misconceptions around the subjects.

Q: Will my child be taught sex education at primary? This is too young.

A: We are not introducing compulsory sex education at primary school.

We are introducing Relationships Education at primary, to put in place the building blocks needed for positive and safe relationships of all kinds. This will start with family and friends, how to treat each other with kindness, and recognising the difference between online and offline friendships.

Q: Does the new Relationships Education and RSE curriculum take account of my faith?

A: The subjects are designed to help children from all backgrounds build positive and safe relationships, and to thrive in modern Britain.

In all schools, when teaching these subjects, the religious background of pupils must be taken into account when planning teaching, so that topics are appropriately handled.

In developing these subjects, we have worked with a number of representative bodies and faith organisations, representing all the major faith groups in England.

Q: Do I have a right to withdraw my child from Relationships and Sex Education?

There is no right to withdraw from Relationships Education at primary as we believe the contents of these subjects – such as family, friendship, safety (including online safety) – are important for all children to be taught. At our school we do not teach any sex education beyond that as outlined in the Science Curriculum.

Q: Has the government listened to the views of my community in introducing these subjects?

A: A thorough engagement process, involving a public call for evidence and discussions with over 90 organisations, as well as the public consultation on the draft regulations and guidance, has informed the key decisions on these subjects. The consultation received over 11,000 responses from teachers, schools, expert organisations, young people and parents – these responses have helped finalise the statutory guidance.



Q: Will my child be taught about LGBT relationships?

A: Pupils should be taught about the society in which they are growing up. These subjects are designed to foster respect for others and for difference, and educate pupils about healthy relationships.

Pupils should receive teaching on LGBT content during their school years. Teaching children about the society that we live in and the different types of loving, healthy relationships that exist can be done in a way that respects everyone. Primary schools are strongly encouraged and enabled to cover LGBT content when teaching about different types of families.

Q: What support will schools receive to deliver these subjects well?

A: The government are investing in a central support package to help teachers introduce these subjects well and with confidence. This will include a new online service, featuring access to high quality resources, innovative training materials, case studies and an implementation guide, available from Spring 2020.

There will also be training available for teachers through existing regional networks, offering opportunities to improve subject knowledge and build confidence.

We're working with expert organisations, schools and teachers to develop this support.

Q: Where can I find out more information about what will be taught in my child's school?

A: If you want to know more about what will be taught as part of the new subjects, the best thing to do is speak to us.

These subjects are designed to equip your child with knowledge to make informed decisions about their wellbeing, health and relationships as well as preparing them for a successful adult life. The important lessons you teach your child about healthy relationships, looking after themselves and staying safe, are respected and valued under this new curriculum.

Teaching at school will complement and reinforce the lessons you teach your child as they grow up. Your child's school will have flexibility to deliver the content in a way that is age and developmentally appropriate and sensitive to the needs and religious background of its pupils.