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Dear Parents/Carers,

Relationship Sex Education (RSE) lessons

We believe that promoting the health and well-being of our children is an important part of their overall education. We do this through our Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) Jigsaw Programme. This looks at many topics including all kinds of relationships, physical / emotional health and living in the wider world. The aim of the PSHE programme is to help our children make safe and informed decisions during their school years and beyond.

RSE is an important part of PSHE and we will be teaching lessons about RSE this term. During the lessons, children will be able to ask questions, which will be answered factually and in an age appropriate manner. Each child's privacy will be respected, and no one will be asked to reveal personal information.

RSE in primary schools is not compulsory except for the Science Curriculum content where aspects of the Human body are taught. Parents can withdraw their child/children from all other parts of RSE if they wish to do so, however, they must do this in writing to Mrs Preedy (Curriculum lead).

Our focus throughout is ensuring that children understand the importance of building positive, trusting relationships. Even if a child is withdrawn, many children will discuss such issues with each other outside the classroom – so, rather than hear about the content second-hand, we hope all children will have the opportunity to take part in our carefully planned lessons.

Many parents and parent-related organisations support good quality RSE in school. Parents are the most important educators of young people in personal issues and many welcome the support that school can offer to supplement their home teaching. You may find that your child starts asking questions about the topic at home, or you might want to take the opportunity to talk to your child about issues before the work is covered in school.

Our RSE Programme and P<mark>olicy can</mark> be found on the school website, if you would like further information.

Yours sincerely,



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