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Dear Parents / Carers

As you may already be aware, the Department for Education produced new guidance for schools on relationships education, relationship and sex and health education (RSHE) following nationwide consultation in 2019. These changes come into effect in the Autumn term 2021 when all schools will be required make sure they are teaching the new statutory content. Most of the content is not new for our school so you will see very little change although we are pleased to add new topics such as teaching basic first aid. A copy of the draft RSHE policy, PSHE policy and the PSHE Knowledge & Skills Progression can be found on the school website in dropdown box RSHE.

Relationships and health education will be taught to all children in school. Topics are age appropriate carefully building on children's knowledge and understanding each year. Three aims run through the guidance and these reflect the schools aims for this subject:

- To help keep children safe
- To help prepare children for the world in which they grow up, including the laws as they relate to relationships, sex and health
- To help foster respect for others and difference

RSHE content will be taught in a lesson that in our school we call Personal, Social, Health and Economic education (PSHE Education). Some aspects of relationships and health education will also be taught in curriculum areas (e.g. PE or in topic work) and in assemblies and during special events/weeks such as anti-bullying week/health week/online safety week.

We have been working hard in school to revise our new PSHE Education programme, attending training and working with staff and governors to draft a new RSHE and PSHE Education policy that outlines our provision and clarifies your rights as parents/carers.

As part of the parental consultation process we invite you to read the new draft RSHE policy and PSHE Education policy and offer any feedback to us. We are keen to work with you to help you understand the content and support the learning at home. There may be questions or queries which we hope you will raise with us and we will then consider these before we finalise our new policy. We value your involvement and once we can all meet in school we will offer further opportunity for parental engagement in PSHE Education.





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Thank you for helping us. Listening and responding to our school community will help us ensure that PSHE ed meets the needs of all our children.

Yours sincerely

Mrs D Wilson
Head Teacher

Please write below any comments, concerns or questions you have about the RSHE policy and/or PSHE Education policy in the box below and return to school.

Name of child:.....Class:.....

Name of parent/carer:.....

Comments, concerns or questions.....

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