



RSE

25th May 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Further to correspondence last summer, where we consulted with parents about Relationships and Sex Education (RSE), we have been teaching and learning using the new National Curriculum guidance since September 2020. It has been very positive, and children in all classes have enjoyed their PSHE units on 'me and my relationships', 'being our best' and 'keeping myself safe.' The purpose of the new curriculum is to provide knowledge and understanding of safe and healthy relationships based on respect. This is to encourage development of safe and healthy relationships throughout life. The subject is designed to help children from all backgrounds build positive and safe relationships, and to thrive in modern Britain.

I am writing to inform you that after half term all year groups will be receiving lessons on our '**growing and changing**' unit. This includes the sex education strands that form part of the National Curriculum. Lessons have been designed and planned using Coram Life Education resources. This will be taught in single year groups rather than in class groupings, so that children access age sensitive material only. We believe it is important that you know that your children will be covering this unit next term, to enable you to support your child's learning in this area and be prepared for any questions that they may ask you. The learning outcomes can be found on our website under Curriculum and PSHE progression skills - you can access what each year group will be learning and the vocabulary that will be used in lessons to support further conversations at home. Please scroll to the bottom of the online document to find the **growing and changing** unit.

You do have a right to withdraw your child from sex education delivered as part of RSE in primary schools, however, the DfE continues to recommend that all primary children have a sex education programme tailored to the age, and physical and emotional maturity of the pupils.

You are welcome to contact me to discuss the programme further.

Many thanks for your continued support,

Mrs Rome

PSHE coordinator