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Relationship and Sex Education (RSE) Briefing Note **Parental Consultation Summer 2021**

Aims and Objectives of the Consultation:

- To inform parents about the new statutory RSE curriculum requirements.
- To gain views and opinions to inform school's Relationship and Sex Education Policy.
- To review age-appropriate resources and unit plans

Aim of RSE in Primary Schools:

- To give young people the information they need to help them develop healthy, nurturing relationships of all kinds, not just intimate relationships. It should enable them to know what a healthy relationship looks like and what makes a good friend, a good colleague and a successful marriage or civil partnership or other type of committed relationship.
- It should teach what is acceptable and unacceptable behaviours in all relationships.
- Through RSE, pupils will understand the positive effects that good relationships have on their and others mental wellbeing, identify when relationships are not right and understand how such situations can be managed.

How RSE is taught:

- RSE is taught through a varied curriculum which offers rich opportunities for learning about the application of British Values and the enhancement of pupil's Moral, Social, Cultural and Faith Education.
- Primary Schools are not required to teach sex education, it is for them to determine whether they need to cover any additional content to meet the needs of their pupils which many schools do already.
- The Department for Education recommends that all primary schools have a sex education programme tailored to the age and the physical and emotional maturity of the pupils. It should ensure that all young children are prepared for the changes that adolescence brings and – drawing on knowledge of the human life cycle set out in the national curriculum for science – how a baby is conceived and born.
- Parents have the right to request that their child be withdrawn from some or all the sex education (Upper KS2) delivered as part of the statutory RSE following discussions with the head teacher.
- There is no right to withdraw from Relationships Education or Health Education or any content from the statutory science curriculum. This means that pupils cannot be withdrawn from lessons on the changing adolescent body.

Areas covered by RSE:

- Areas covered alongside Personal, Health, Social, Citizenship Education include:
 - Families and people who care for me
 - Caring friendships
 - Respectful relationships
 - Online relationships
 - Being safe – including the concept of personal privacy

Further reading:

- Bounds Green Primary School RSE Consultation document
- Bounds Green Primary School FAQ document

