

Monday 8th March 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Relationship, Sex and Health Education Parent Consultation

As a part of your child's education at The Fritch Green Academy we promote personal wellbeing and development through a comprehensive taught programme of Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education. PSHE is the subject that gives children and young people the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live healthy, safe, productive and fulfilled lives, both now and in the future.

As you may already be aware, the Department for Education has announced changes to Relationships, Health and Sex Education (RSHE) following nationwide consultation. These changes came into effect from September 2020 and all schools will be required to comply with the updated arrangements by the beginning of the Summer term 2021.

As part of the implementation process, schools must consult with parents to ensure there is a general consensus on approaches to policy and the curriculum content. We are taking this opportunity to not only share our suggested RSHE curriculum with you, but the wider PSHE programme at the same time, so you can see the subject as a whole.

We hope that consulting with you will help to inform our decision on **when** and **how** certain content is covered and we encourage any feedback and suggestions that you, as parents, may have about the new guidance or coverage. It is important that there is an open conversation between parents and school to ensure that the children are given the best RSE provision possible.

To help you to understand the statutory expectations by the end of Primary school, links between Relationships Education, the Science curriculum and our PSHE curriculum, we have placed information on our website which we would encourage you to read:

- Relationships, Sex and Health Education DRAFT policy
- PSHE and RSHE Curriculum map overview
- PSHE and RSHE Learning objectives for each year group
- Example lesson resources

The consultation process will begin on Monday 8th March and end on Monday 15th March 2021. We have created a questionnaire, which is available below, if you wish to submit a response during this time or comment on the policy/content. You will also be able to access this questionnaire via the website.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc0vPmpLhBrmNzwPBEI387xgObRhxGL9CycTUwl8oaPdakeCQ/viewform>

All comments will be considered collectively, in light of statutory requirements, before formal adoption of the policy.

Yours sincerely

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