

26th May 2021

Dear Family,

Feedback from the Consultation of Relationships and Health Education Curriculum Policy and Resources

I am writing to you to thank you for taking part in our consultation on the Relationships and Health Education Curriculum and resources which took place from 24th March to 18th April 2021.

Due to the pandemic, and in line with many other schools, the consultation was held on line with resources, a topic overview, frequently asked questions, videos, draft policy, DfE guidance documents and a parental feedback form uploaded to our website.

Information from the 20 feedback forms submitted and the results of one to one meetings held in school, have been shared with Governors.

Some concerns that were expressed can be seen in the table below.

Concern	Response
Parents would prefer that we teach boys and girls separately about puberty.	We will do this.
Could parents be told when the different topics are being taught so discussions at home can be open.	We will let parents know via text message or in the newsletter. The overview is on the website so parents can also look at this for information.
Could parents have an option to say no to the teaching of the RHE curriculum.	The content is statutory and has to be taught, but staff will teach it sensitively and with consideration to religious views. Parents cannot withdraw their child from the RHE curriculum.
Children are too young to be taught about the topics.	We are using the Discovery Education resources where the topics are taught sensitively using age appropriate resources. The Local Authority have recommended this resource.
Concerns about teaching about LGBT relationships.	The RHE curriculum does not specifically teach about LGBT relationships, it just covers the fact that families can look different, for example, children may be brought up by grandparents, families may have adopted children, there may be single parent families or that some families may have the same gender parents. The RHE curriculum states that in all families there is care and love. This is linked to the Equality Act 2010 and schools have to comply with this. Staff will not be promoting any particular type of family and will not be using any terms related to LGBT in any way.

Following on from the consultation process and the discussion with the school Governors, the RHE Curriculum will be taught sensitively, using age appropriate resources in the second part of the summer term. We will let parents know when the topics will be taught.

For those parents wishing to have a face to face feedback session, it is hoped to organise one later on in the term when permitted.



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Chair of Governors