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Dear Parents/Carers,

The Department for Education has announced changes to Relationships and Sex Education (RSE).

The Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education and Health Education (England) Regulations 2019, made under sections 34 and 35 of the Children and Social Work Act 2017, make Relationships Education compulsory for all pupils receiving primary education. The statutory guidance can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/relationships-education-relationships-and-sex-education-rse-and-health-education>

These changes will come into effect from September 2020 and all schools will be required to comply with the updated requirements.

This means that we will be reviewing our Relationships and Sex Education curriculum and policy so we can be sure our Relationships and Sex Education provision is appropriate for our pupils based on their:

- Age
- Physical and emotional maturity
- Religious and cultural backgrounds
- Special educational needs and disabilities

We **must** provide relationships and health education to pupils.

To support the changes we need your feedback on what the curriculum looks like now. Please see attached a questionnaire for completion which should be returned to the school by **Friday 20th December 2019**. Hard copies can be made available at the school upon request.

We will also be seeking the views of parents, pupils (via School Council), Local Governors and Trustees.

Once we have considered all the feedback, you will be informed when the draft updated Relationships and Sex Education Policy will be uploaded to the school's website which will set out the proposed curriculum and how you can feedback.

The formal consultation period will open on **Monday 2nd March 2020** and close on **Friday 3rd April 2019**.

The outcome of the consultation will be shared with Local Governing Bodies and Trustees during the **Summer Term 2020**.

The updated draft Relationships and Sex Education Policy will be presented to the Board of Trustees on **15th July 2020** for approval.

Thank you for your time.

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