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Dear Parents/Carers,

We want all children to grow up healthy, happy, safe, and able to manage the challenges and opportunities of modern Britain. That is why, from September 2020, it was compulsory for all primary age children in England to be taught Relationships and Health Education (of which puberty education is a key component) due to national changes. These subjects are designed to equip your child with knowledge to make informed decisions about their wellbeing, health and relationships as well as preparing them for a successful adult life. The world for all young people looks very different from the way it did 20 years ago when this Curriculum was last updated - these changes bring the content into the 21st century, so that it is relevant for your child. Due to the Covid Pandemic this compulsory element has been moved to be started in schools in Summer Term 2021 ready for full implement in September 2021.

The DfE continues to recommend that primary schools have a sex education programme tailored to the age, physical and emotional maturity of the pupils and is sensitive to the needs and religious background of its pupils. All maintained schools will be expected to continue teaching Reproduction as part of the National Curriculum in Science.

At Flash Ley we pride ourselves on the Relationships, Social and Health Education that we provide in our curriculum and these new reforms will enhance that.

Relationships Education will put in place the building blocks needed for positive and safe relationships, including with family, friends and online.

Your child will be taught what a relationship is, what friendship is, what family means and who can support them. In an age-appropriate way, we will cover how to treat each other with kindness, consideration and respect.

By the end of primary school, pupils will have been taught content on:

- families and people who care for me
- caring friendships
- respectful relationships
- online relationships
- being safe

Health Education aims to give your child the information they need to make good decisions about their own health and wellbeing, to recognise issues in themselves and others, and to seek support as early as possible when issues arise.

By the end of primary school, pupils will have been taught content on:

- mental wellbeing
- internet safety and harms
- physical health and fitness
- healthy eating
- facts and risks associated with drugs, alcohol and tobacco
- health and prevention
- basic first aid
- changing adolescent body

You can find further detail by searching 'Relationships and Health Education' on GOV.UK.

Due to this directive from the Government we view your contributions as parents/carers about this area of the curriculum and therefore have devised a Consultation Questionnaire Survey for you to respond to if you so wish.

Due to the Covid Pandemic we cannot have a meeting in person therefore this online questionnaire has been compiled instead.

Before completing this questionnaire please view the new Draft Policy, The Curriculum Overview (Entrust Scheme), the appendices and other useful documents found on the school website under policies PSHE/RSE.

Once you have viewed these documents please complete, if you wish, the **PSHE/RSE Consultation Survey Questions** which can be found on the school website under policies PSHE/RSE also.

All responses or questions in regards to the questionnaire must be sent to the following email address only year3@flashley.staffs.sch.uk and must be received during the consultation period from 19.04.21 until 23.04.21 any responses after this time will unfortunately not be responded to. A response can be sent through completing questionnaire and emailing or printing off the questionnaire, completing the survey and handing into the school office for the attention of Miss Young.

We do value you opinions and views about this new statutory requirement and will take on board your comments, however, unfortunately due to the statutory educational implementation stated by the DfE the school will ultimately decide the final implementation.

After consultation with a working group of Governors, parents and pupils the Draft PSHE/RSE policy will be reviewed and amended accordingly where needed.

Further consultations may be arranged within the next academic year once we are back to 'normal' from the Covid Pandemic.

If you have any further questions or comments, please don't hesitate to get in touch with me year3@flashley.staffs.sch.uk

Yours sincerely,

Miss K. Young