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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 6 Sessions on Human Reproduction and Relationships

As part of the School's Science and PSHE and RSE programmes of study, your child is soon to receive lessons concerning human reproduction and relationships. These lessons will take place throughout the summer term from the week beginning 12th April. They will build upon previously learnt knowledge in Year 5.

Nowadays, there is a vast amount of information about relationships and sex on the internet, TV and in magazines which young people often have access to. This can sometimes make an already confusing time seem even more complicated.

If young people can start their transition into adulthood with good information and with the confidence and knowledge to understand the changes they are going through, they will hopefully grow into confident and healthy adults who are able to make positive life choices. This can start with furthering their knowledge at school about growing up and these sessions may reinforce what you are already doing at home.

Human reproduction, relationships and puberty education are important issues which concern us all. The sessions will include the following...

- Recapping knowledge learnt in Year 5 (hygiene and growing up);
- Knowing the physical and emotional changes during puberty for both boys and girls;
- Knowing how babies are conceived;
- Understanding the birth of a baby and a babies various needs;
- Knowing the purposes and various forms of contraception;
- Understanding how sex is presented in the media and impact of stereotyping;
- Being aware of aspects of internet and communication safety – such as 'sexting'.

As with all areas of the curriculum, teachers aim to answer children's questions in a frank and honest manner and are best placed to decide at what level any discussion should be aimed for the class as a whole, small groups or the individual. In some of the sessions, we will be showing parts of the DVD 'Living and Growing' (some of which your child has already seen in Year 5). In each of our sessions, we expect all children to follow these rules.

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- It is OK to have fun and laugh;
- **Not OK to laugh at anyone else.**

- It is OK to have discussions;
- **Not OK to talk about what happens at home.**

- It is OK to ask questions;
- **Not OK to ask each other or staff personal questions.**

- It is OK to talk to an adult at home about what you have been learning;
- **Not OK to share learning with younger children.**

Parents have the right to request that their child be withdrawn from some or all of sex education delivered as part of the statutory RSE. There is no right to withdraw from Relationships Education or Health Education. The Relationships Education, RSE, and Health Education (England) Regulations 2019 have made Relationships Education compulsory in all primary schools. If your child is in school and you wish to withdraw them from some of the sex education sessions, please contact Mrs Cartledge-Splitt via the office email address (before Friday 26th March, 2021) so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Please feel free to contact either of us to discuss any concerns or queries.

Yours sincerely



Mr S Williams
Acting Deputy Headteacher



Miss Holt
Class Teacher