



21st April 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

RE: Consultation of parents regarding Relationships and Sex Education within the Personal, Social and Health Education curriculum.

We are writing to invite you to share your thoughts and opinions with us regarding the proposed changes in our PSHE Policy concerning our RSE curriculum.

Our PSHE and RSE policies have been updated in line with government requirements and they can be found here: <http://www.templemillprimaryschool.co.uk/424/policies-and-statutory-documents>

The requirements became compulsory in September 2020 but because of the COVID situation, schools were given flexibility as to when to implement this in this academic year. Therefore, following consultation, we will begin to deliver the updated curriculum from Term 6.

We will use the Medway agreed policy which was created with the PSHE Association and supplement it with planning and resources from other recognised schemes and organisations, most often SCARF. As we have opted to teach sex education we would like to ensure you are consulted on this policy change regarding this part of the curriculum. We would like you to have every opportunity to understand the purpose and content of relationships education and RSE.

We believe that PSHE and RSE contributes to wider support in terms of pupil wellbeing and keeping children safe. Our RSE will focus on giving pupils the knowledge they need to make informed decisions about their wellbeing, health and relationships, and to build their self-efficacy. Health education focusses on equipping pupils with the knowledge they need to make good decisions about their own health and wellbeing.

When teaching sex education beyond the requirements of the science curriculum, we will ensure that these lessons use high quality, age appropriate resources and methods of delivering the content, we recognise that a range of approaches may be needed.

Ideally we would invite you to meet with us to discuss any aspects of these changes further, but unfortunately this is not possible at the current time. Instead we invite you to email your thoughts and responses or any questions not answered by our policy and programme of study documents, to the office email, marked for the attention of Mrs Lewis. Please respond by Friday 7th June.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter, we look forward to hearing your input.

Yours sincerely

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