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Dear Parents,

## Health & Relationships: Y6 Sex Education provision

Health and Relationships Education is an important part of our school commitment to provide pupils with the knowledge and skills to keep themselves safe, make healthy choices, develop respect for themselves and others, and form positive and healthy relationships now and in their future. It also aligns with our school culture of WE CARE.

The government guidance for Health & Relationship Education (2019) outlines statutory learning outcomes for all primary-aged pupils. In addition, as recommended by the Department for Education, we also teach non-statutory elements of 'sex education' in an age appropriate manner to our Year 6 children. We believe it is important to provide this opportunity prior to the Year 6 children advancing to secondary schools. The sex education provision will include learning about how babies are made and outline the basic information and facts about conception and birth.

To deliver this learning, we will be using the Discovery Education Health and Relationships Year 6 unit of study for 'Families and committed relationships' to support us in meeting these intended outcomes. Dedicated lesson time has been planned to teach these objectives.

Session number	Lesson objective(s)	Intended outcomes
1	Human reproduction – How babies are made.	Dispel myths about human reproduction Explain the facts of human reproduction
2	<ul> <li>Why deciding to start a family is a big and important decision.</li> <li>How life-changing starting a family can be.</li> <li>The costs associated with a new baby.</li> </ul>	Explain the impact having a baby can have. Explain why it is important that people are ready for and committed to this new change.
3	<ul> <li>The importance of being ready to start a family in the future.</li> <li>Legal age restriction, and why these are in place.</li> </ul>	Explain why age restrictions are in place for particular activities. Identify the age of consent for sexual intercourse and its importance in helping children stay safe from risk and harm.

In line with our RHE policy, teachers will answer any questions from the children in an age-appropriate and factual way, without personal bias or judgement. In addition, children will have the opportunity to use the

question box to post questions anonymously if they wish. Questions will be answered in one of the following ways: by providing an answer to the whole class; by giving an individual answer to a child, or, on rare occasions, by contacting parents if we feel the question would be better handled in the home setting. Any questions that give rise to concerns of a safeguarding nature will be handled in line with our safeguarding policy.

Please do contact us if you have any questions or comments about the sex education provision. Also, if you would like to see any of the content of the programme in more detail, prior to its delivery.

As parents, you have the right to withdraw your child(ren) from the sex education lessons in Year 6. Should you decide to consider this option, we would welcome the opportunity to talk you through the content of these lessons before any decision is made. If you are considering exercising the right to excuse your child from the sex education lessons, please contact Mr Chapman. Pupils who are excused from the provision will be given alternative learning within another classroom setting during the sessions.

Yours sincerely, Mr Chapman

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## Acknowledgment of receipt: Year 6 Sex Education notification

Name of Year 6 child: .....

I/We acknowledge receipt of the notification that Y6 sex education learning provision will take place for my child.

I/We understand it is my/our responsibility to contact Mr Chapman should I/we wish to exercise my/our right to excuse my/our child(ren) from the planned Year 6 sex education provision.

I/We understand I/we should contact school if I/we have any further questions about the lessons or wish to preview any planning, video or presentational resources.

Name of parent(s):....

Signature:..... Date:.....

Please complete and return the acknowledgment slip