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Dear Parents/Carers

As a part of your child's educational experience at Yattendon School, we promote personal wellbeing and development through a comprehensive taught programme of Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education that gives children and young people the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live healthy, safe, productive and fulfilled lives, both now and in the future.

The Department for Education has made some changes to relationships and sex education following a nationwide consultation, which came into effect from September 2020 and all schools are required to comply with the updated requirements. The statutory guidance can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/relationships-education-relationships-and-sex-education-rse-and-health-education>

The guidance focuses on healthy relationships and keeping children safe in the modern world that we now find ourselves living in. It also covers a wide range of topics relating to physical and mental health, wellbeing, safeguarding and healthy relationships.

Learning about the emotional, social and physical aspects of growing up will give children and young people the information, skills and positive values to have safe, fulfilling relationships and help them take responsibility for their own well-being. Consequently, from September 2020, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE), along with Health Education, will be statutory, and form part of the National Curriculum. We have reviewed our RSE curriculum and policy so we can be sure our RSE provision is appropriate for our pupils based on their:

Age

Physical and emotional maturity

Religious and cultural backgrounds

Special educational needs and disabilities

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All PSHE and RSE teaching will take place in a safe learning environment, underpinned by our school ethos and values. Please find attached a PowerPoint for your information, outlining the revised curriculum for RSE. If there is an aspect of the curriculum overview that you would like to know more about, please use the link below, which will take you to our school website and an overview of the curriculum for each year group. Here you will find further guides to the RSE curriculum.

<https://www.yattendon.org/revised-sre-curriculum-and-further-information-for/>

We are required to consult with you about our RSE curriculum and invite you to let us know if you have any comments by emailing these to RSEconsultation@yattendon.surrey.sch.uk by Friday 28th May. This can include any comments or queries you may have about RSE at Yattendon.

Yours faithfully

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