

William Martin CofE Schools and Nursery



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Relationships, Health and Sex Education (RHSE) Parent Consultation

Dear Parents/Carers,

You will be aware that, as part of your child's educational experience at William Martin, we aim to promote personal wellbeing and development through a comprehensive taught programme of Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education that gives children the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live healthy, safe, productive and fulfilled lives, both now and in the future. One element of PSHE is 'Relationship, Health and Sex Education'.

In June 2019 the government published the updated legal framework for the teaching of Relationship and Sex Education (RSE) in England and Wales. Initially the new framework was to be in place by September 2020 but due to the Coronavirus Pandemic this was extended to the Summer Term 2021. In view of this we have rewritten and updated our current RHSE policy to reflect the changes introduced by the government.

Due to COVID- restrictions we are unable to invite parents into school for a presentation about the curriculum. Therefore, we have presented the relevant information to you in video format with a Powerpoint. Here is the link to the 15 minute video explaining the changes, the curriculum and the resources that will be used to teach RHSE in school.

<https://youtu.be/j29axARFI4>

The following documents are also attached to this email and can be found on the school website under curriculum & classes/ RSE Consultation:

- The Vine Schools Trust Relationship, Health and Sex Education Policy
- A DfE guide for parents about 'Understanding Relationship and Health Education'
- William Martin CofE Schools' PSHE curriculum with RHSE embedded (Due to delay in this parent consultation, the RHSE elements will be taught during Summer term 2)

If you have any further questions or concerns, please call the school office on 01279 424122 to book an appointment to meet with Mrs Bailey and Mrs Kearney on Friday 28th May between 10.00 and 11.30. These meetings will be held socially distanced in the infant school hall.

Kind Regards

Mrs Gina Bailey

Executive Headteacher

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Head of School



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