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Friday 5th March, 2021

Dear Parent / Carer.

Sex and Relationships Policy Consultation

As you are probably aware, the Government have announced that from September 2020, all primary age children must be taught Relationships and Health Education. Following the situation with Covid, the Government extended the deadline for implementing the curriculum until the Summer term 2021. At St Deny Primary School, this is not something new as we have always promoted personal wellbeing and development through a Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education programme. We believe PSHE education is the curriculum subject that gives children the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live safe, healthy, productive lives and meet their full potential. However, in light of the new guidance, we are reviewing our current curriculum and our relationships and sex education (RSE) policy.

We would therefore appreciate your input on the proposed curriculum and policy, as we want to ensure that we get it right for all our pupils. We have already run a working party to begin this process; consulted with staff, shared our proposals with governors and begun to have discussions with the pupils.

I have therefore attached a copy of the draft policy which includes an overview of Key Stage 1 and 2 for your feedback. The full curriculum, for every year group, can be accessed via our website: https://st-denys-primary-school.secure-primarysite.net/pshe-and-sre-curriculum/. The DfE have also produced a useful guide for parents: Understanding relationships and health education in your child's primary school which can be accessed via our school website using the link above.

As a team, we have worked hard to make sure that our new curriculum reflects:

- Our pupils' age and maturity levels, as well as their cultural and religious backgrounds
- The values of our school community
- Every pupil's learning needs
- What pupils need to know to be healthy and safe in school, in their personal relationships and in the wider world

We would greatly appreciate your feedback, which can be submitted via email to: consult@stdenysprimary.co.uk. The deadline for responding to the consultation is 12.00pm (midday) on Friday 19th March 2021.

We do hope you take the opportunity to respond as we value your opinion.

Kind regards

Amanda Talbot-Jones, Headteacher and Victoria Bandey, P.S.H.E Lead