

10<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Dear St John's Families,

As a part of your child's education at St John's Primary Academy, we promote personal wellbeing and development through a comprehensive Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education programme. PSHE education is the curriculum subject that gives young people the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live safe, healthy, productive lives and meet their full potential.

An important part of our PSHE curriculum is the Relationship and Sex Education (RSE) element. The national guidance for this subject can be found <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>. I am writing to let you know that RSE lessons in the Academy will include teaching students from year 1 to year 6 about; Healthy lifestyles, relationships and living in the wider world. We will use the scheme You, Me, PSHE from September 2024 which has been quality assured by the PSHE association. Pupils will also have opportunities to ask questions that help prepare them for relationships of all kinds in the modern world. PSHE education is taught throughout the school in every year group and is monitored and reviewed regularly in line with DfE guidance. All PSHE teaching will take place in a safe learning environment and is underpinned by our school ethos and values.

As a school community, we are committed to working in partnership with parents and as part of this, we would like to invite you to take part in our parental consultation for PSHE and RSE. There are three parts to our consultation: Part one is to read the Priory Trust RSE policy <a href="here">here</a>; Part two is read through our PSHE/RSE programme of study <a href="here">here</a> and part three is to complete our online Microsoft Forms to gather your thoughts on our curriculum. This can be accessed <a href="here">here</a>. The consultation period will run from 10<sup>th</sup> June – 21<sup>st</sup> June.

There is a useful guide for understanding Relationships education for parents <u>here</u>. This outlines what primary schools should teach content on and your rights as a parent.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Emma Jefferson Headteacher



