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Dear Parents and Carers,

As a part of your child's education at Kirkbymoorside Community Primary School, 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 children the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live safe, healthy, productive lives and meet their full potential.

I am writing to let you know that, over the course of their time at Kirkbymoorside School, your child's class will be taking part in lessons which will focus on the relationships and sex education (RSE) aspect of this programme.

As you may be aware, from September 2020 the Department for Education has made Relationships and Health Education (Primary) and Relationships Sex Education and Health Education compulsory in all schools.

The new guidance focuses on healthy relationships and keeping children safe in the modern world. 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, it will give children and young people the information, skills and positive values to have safe, fulfilling relationships and will help them take responsibility for their own well-being.

This guidance will form part of our school's PSHE education programme which is taught throughout the school in every year group and is monitored and reviewed regularly.

All teaching in PSHE will take place in a safe learning environment and be underpinned by our school ethos and values. A variety of opportunities will be provided for pupils to ask questions to further their understanding and to find out more about what affects them personally.

Parents Right to Request Withdrawal

- Parents will not be able to withdraw their child from any aspect of Relationships Education or Health Education.
- Parents will be able to withdraw their child (following discussion with the school) from any or all aspects of Sex Education, other than those which are part of the science curriculum.

If you feel that this is something that you would like to discuss with me, then please do make contact at the earliest convenient time.

As a school community, we are committed to working in partnership with parents. If you would like to find out more or discuss any concerns, please do not hesitate to make contact.

Yours sincerely,

G Sleightholme
Head of School