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Dear Parents/Carers

As part of your child's educational experience at High Storrs, one of the ways we aim to promote personal wellbeing and development is through a comprehensive taught programme of PSHCEE (Personal, Social, Citizenship and Economic Education). This is delivered by a team of teachers for an hour a week during curriculum time. It aims to allow students to explore the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and skills to live healthy, safe, productive and fulfilled lives, both now and in the future.

Following a nationwide consultation, the Department for Education (DFE) announced changes to relationships and sex education to come into effect from **September 2020**.

The statutory guidance can be found at:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1019542/Relationships_Education_Relationships_and_Sex_Education_RSE_and_Health_Education.pdf

The new guidance focuses on healthy relationships and keeping students safe in the modern world. It also covers a wide range of topics relating to physical and mental health, wellbeing, safeguarding and healthy relationships.

As part of our preparation for this we have consulted parents/carers around our curriculum and policy in **2019**. We aim to consult and review on a regular basis to make any amendments and adjustments to our practise so we can be sure our RSHE provision is appropriate for our students based on their;

Age
Physical and Emotional Maturity
Religious and Cultural Backgrounds
Special Educational Needs and Disabilities

This year we consulted with students in July 2021 regarding the content and scope of the curriculum and hope that consulting with you will help inform our schools' decisions on when and how certain content is covered.

As part of our curriculum review we would like your views on:

- The current PSHCEE curriculum
- Our RSHE policy

Information can be found on the High Storrs website at:

- <https://highstorrs.co.uk/learning/relationships-and-sex-education>

and include:

- Our PSHCEE Curriculum Year Group Overviews
- Our RSHE policy
- [Anonymous Questionnaire about PSHCEE curriculum provision](#)
- [Anonymous Questionnaire about RSHE policy](#)

Schools are legally required to teach the content outlined in the guidance. To help you understand the curriculum requirements, we have included some links below which you might like to open and read. These include:

- A summary sheet of what all students are expected to know by the end of secondary school

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

- The DFE FAQ

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/relationships-education-relationships-and-sex-education-rse-and-health-education-faqs?utm_source=2b45920e-083a-44ad-9c3f-16fed9168d3f&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_content=immediate

- DFE – Understanding Relationships, Sex and Health Education at your child’s secondary school: a guide for parents (available in several languages)

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

High Storrs will be starting their consultation process on Wednesday 24th November 2021. The consultation will close on Wednesday 8th December 2021.

Mr B Lacey (Assistant Head) and Mrs J McManus (Subject Lead) are the main points of contact for this consultation.

Please contact b.lacey@highstorrs.sheffield.sch.uk or j.mcmanus@highstorrs.sheffield.sch.uk for any further information.

Yours sincerely

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