



EVINGTON VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Caring and Learning Together

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Dear Parent

You may be aware that the Department for Education has recently issued statutory guidance to schools regarding Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) and Health Education. I am writing to you to outline our schools planned approach to implementing this legal requirement which will take effect from Autumn 2020.

Whilst there is a necessity for us to carry out our statutory obligation to deliver this aspect of the curriculum, we are committed to ensuring that the content taught will be age appropriate at all times. It will be taught sensitively and inclusively and will be respectful and considerate of the community that the school is in partnership with. We aim to enable the children to understand how the Equality Act 2010 relates to them as they grow into adults.

Within primary education, the main aim of the curriculum is to put in place the key building blocks of healthy, respectful relationships, focusing on family and friendships. This will include the essential understanding of how to be healthy which includes the key objectives of the National Curriculum for Science.

In order to achieve these aims, we will be:

- Consulting with schools in the local area to develop a shared policy that meets the needs of our communities based on respect and mutual understanding
- Carrying out staff training including governors
- Taking account of the views of all stakeholders in the school including governors, staff and parents
- Inviting parents to participate in a consultation process including working groups to develop our approach
- Holding parent meetings in which we can share updates and obtain parental views as part of this process
- Publishing on the school website the agreed policy and teaching content once this is in place prior to the implementation in the academic year 2020-21

As a school, we look forward to working closely with you in the near future to develop this aspect of our pupil's education.

Please note this academic year our health work with Year 5 / 6 pupils will be identical to that carried out in previous years. Parents of Year 5 / 6 pupils will be receiving a letter before the half term break inviting them into school for a meeting to discuss the content of these health lessons.

Yours faithfully

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