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**RE: Relationships and Sex Education (RSE)**

Dear Parents and Carers

The government have released new guidance for the teaching of Relationships and Sex Education (RSE). Originally this was to become compulsory from September 2020. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic schools were given flexibility to introduce it on a timescale that suited them providing it was fully in place by September 2021. At Woodhouse we have spent a long time studying the guidance, meeting with colleagues from other trust schools and identifying the best resources in order to deliver the RSE curriculum and meet the needs of our children. The RSE curriculum is compulsory in all primary schools in England and cannot be opted out of. There are small elements that parents can opt out of in Years 5 or 6. The parents of Year 5 and 6 children have been contacted regarding this and will be in subsequent years.

At Woodhouse, and within our trust, we will be using 'Jigsaw' in the main to deliver the curriculum. Jigsaw is a nationally produced scheme of work. You can access their parents and carers information by following the link below:

<https://www.jigsawpshe.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/RSE-Guide-for-Parents-and-Carers-leaflet-2019-2020.pdf>

Within the Jigsaw scheme in Summer Term 2 there are units of work entitled "Changing Me". These units are largely around puberty and changes to the body. We have concluded that these particular units are not best matched to the children of Woodhouse. Therefore in place of the 'Changing Me' units of work we will be using an alternative called CWP, CWP introduces the correct anatomical names for body parts in a sensitive and staggered approach that we feel best meets the needs of our learners. The resources for CWP can be viewed here:

<https://www.woodhouse.priacademy.co.uk/pupils/rse>



As always at Woodhouse we value the input of our parents and carers. If you wish to comment or ask questions about the RSE curriculum or resources, please follow the link below and complete the Google Form. The form will be live for one week from the date of this letter.

<https://forms.gle/R3F3zbhF1qF8T2pY6>

If your comment or question requires feedback from school this will be done in a range of ways including: a class dojo message from your child's teacher, a letter or frequently asked questions document that will go on the website or a telephone call from the appropriate member of staff if relevant.

As well as choosing the most appropriate resources to deliver the RSE curriculum and meet the needs of our children we are also in the process of writing a new PSHE / RSE Policy which will be in place for September 2021. We will take into account your feedback on the resources when finalising the policy. The policy will then be shared with you and any further feedback and comments will be taken.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr Parslow  
(Deputy Head Teacher)

Miss Gibbs  
(PSHE and RSE Lead)

