



Kippax Ash Tree Primary

Headteacher – Mrs Amanda Campbell



2nd April 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

As you may already be aware, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE), along with Health Education, will soon be forming part of the National Curriculum. This statutory change begins as of September 2020.

As part of our school's wider Personal, Social and Health Education programme, your child will continue to receive lessons on relationships, sexual health and personal safety.

Schools are required to consult with parents when developing and reviewing their policies for Relationships Education and RSE. The consultation will inform schools' decisions on when and how certain content is covered. A copy of the school's new policy is attached. I would be grateful if you would review this policy and let the school know about any concerns you may have.

The current COVID 19 (Coronavirus) restrictions will not allow for a face to face meeting to discuss the policy. However, we are still very much wanting to consult with you on our new policy. Please contact the school on: katinfo@brigshawtrust.com with any comments you would like to make. The consultation will close on 4th May 2020 and we will update you with any amendments to our policy before the end of the summer term.

The purpose of the curriculum is to provide knowledge and understanding of safe and healthy relationships based on respect. This is to encourage the development of healthy relationships throughout life. The subject is designed to help children from all backgrounds build positive and safe relationships, and to thrive in modern Britain.

There is no right to withdraw from the statutory elements of Relationships Education and we believe the content of these subjects – such as family, friendship, safety (including online safety) – are important for all children to be taught. However, we are confident you will share our enthusiasm for the successful implementation of the new PSHE curriculum, which we feel will benefit all of our students.

You do have a right to withdraw your child from the non-statutory elements of sex education delivered as part of RSE. Please see the policy for further information.

You are welcome to contact the school to ask any questions you have or review the programme further.

Yours sincerely,

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