



Millfield Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Statutory guidance from the DfE for Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) and Health Education has made Relationships Education compulsory in all primary schools. From September 2021, as part of our work in PSHE, we will be learning about families, friends, growing up and our bodies. You may find the following document useful: assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/812593/RSE_primary_schools_guide_for_parents.pdf

A very important part of the work will be to make sure all the children understand that there are parts of their bodies that are private. We will learn about trusted adults to talk to and how to get help.

We will be learning that humans have children who grow into adults and special ways our families look after us as we grow. We will also be learning how amazing our bodies are and how to look after our bodies and keep them clean and healthy.

Most of this learning is part of Science, Relationships Education and Health Education which is (from September 2021) compulsory. The DfE statutory guidance is available on our school website for further information. *However, there are no significant changes to what is already being taught in primary schools and at Millfield Primary School.*

You may be aware that you can withdraw your child from 'Sex Education'. Our *draft* school policy explains that this is learning about how babies are made and born. *In EYFS and KS1 there are no elements of non-statutory sex education.* In Key Stage 1 there is no learning about how humans reproduce, but children will learn that animals have offspring – this is part of Science.

If you would like to find out more, we will be sharing our *draft* Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education and Health Education school policy and the curriculum content for each year group on our school website. We will also provide links on the website to other sites that are helpful for parents when talking with their children. If you have any questions or would like to talk in more detail about any of the topics please contact us before Monday 12th July and we will be able to discuss it further with you.

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