Dear Parent/Carer

**Relationships and Sex Education (RSE)**

As part of our school’s Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) Education programme, and in line with London Borough of Ealing’s recommended scheme of work for PSHE Education, children from Reception to Year 6 will take part in RSE lessons in the Summer term. These lessons have been carefully planned to be relevant and appropriate to each year group. For these lessons, we will be using the same resources and lesson content as we have done for the last number of years.

Nowadays, there is a vast amount of information about relationships on the internet, on TV, in magazines, to which children and young people are exposed. If children are provided with timely and age-appropriate information about their bodies and relationships, they can make their transition into adolescence and adulthood with the confidence and knowledge to understand what is happening to them. They will also have the best chances of growing into confident and healthy adults able to make positive choices.

In July 2019, the Department for Education released new draft guidance for **Relationships Education**. This new guidance will come into effect from September 2020.

For the past two years, we have been using the Ealing PSHE scheme of work to deliver RSE lessons. This is a comprehensive scheme of work, which already meets much of the new guidance. Therefore, very little of our curriculum will need to be amended to meet as we already deliver a comprehensive RSE scheme of work.

To prepare for the new guidance, we will be developing a new Relationships Education policy to ensure it meets the statutory requirements. To prepare for the new guidance we may also need to amend aspects of our current provision. Parents/Carers will be informed of any changes made to our curriculum and any changes made will come into effect in September 2020. We envisage making few changes to our current provision, but some aspects of our curriculum may need updating. At Our Lady of the Visitation Catholic Primary school, we will engage with parents in the following ways:

- Parent survey (Please click onto the link below)
  [https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/R9LSNZP](https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/R9LSNZP)
- Parent workshops
  **Wednesday 24th April** - 9:00am and **Tuesday 28th April** - 6:00pm
- Working party, consisting of staff, governors and parents

If you have any questions about Relationships Education, please ensure you attend one of the workshops. Thank you for your continued cooperation and support.

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