

2nd March 2021

Dear Parents / Carers

**Re: Statutory Parental Consultation Process for Relationships and Sex Education**

The Government has issued statutory guidance for the teaching of Relationship and Sex Education (RSE) which will come into force in the Summer term 2021.

By law we are required to consult with parents over the content of our policy prior to the Governors approving it for implementation.

As you know, we invited all parents to a virtual meeting last half term and in an ideal world we would also have invited you to a presentation at the school, with further opportunities for questions and answers.

As the second part is not possible at this current time with the national lockdown in place, we are having to do this process via our website. Examples of themes, topic areas to be covered and some lesson plans/mid-term plans are available for you to view. However, in essence very little will change in the actual content from that we currently deliver to our pupils at present within PSHE, and with all of the cross curricular links to subjects such as Science, Physical Education and WRL (KS 4).

On the school website you will find page called 'RSE Consultation' under the Parents & Carers area. You can also follow this link:

<https://www.pinewood.herts.sch.uk/parents-carers/rse-consultation/>

This area of our website contains the following information:

- A copy of this letter
- A link to access the DfE Statutory Guidance for RSE
- A copy of our parent RSE consultation questionnaire
- A copy of our draft RSE policy
- An example of one-half term of themes and content
- A copy of a PSHE/RSE mid-term plans (KS 3 & KS 4)



If you wish to participate in the consultation process, then please study the materials and feedback any comments or questions to: [admin@pinewood.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@pinewood.herts.sch.uk) putting "RSE Consultation" in the subject box.

This consultation will be open from March 2<sup>nd</sup> until March 10<sup>th</sup> 2021. All comments and completed parent questionnaires must be received by this date.

Yours faithfully

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