

Birches First School

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RSE Parent Consultation

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are aware, as part of your child's education at Birches First School we promote personal wellbeing and development through a comprehensive Personal, Social, Health and Economic education (PSHEe) programme. PSHEe supports the children's knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live safe, healthy, productive lives and meet their full potential.

The Department for Education is making statutory changes for Relationships, Sex and Health Education (RSE) to be a compulsory part of the curriculum in all schools. In primary schools, the new guidance focusses on healthy **relationships** and keeping children safe in a modern world. Relationships Education has always been delivered at Birches First School through our established PSHEe education lessons throughout the school.

Children at Birches First School will be taught the topics from the statutory guidance through our PSHEe curriculum. These topics relate to physical and mental health, wellbeing, safeguarding and healthy relationships. Learning about the emotional, social, and physical aspects of growing up, will give children at Birches First School the information, skills and positive values to have safe, fulfilling relationships and will help them take responsibility for their own well-being. All of the sessions will be age-appropriate, meet the needs of all pupils in the class and be underpinned by our school ethos and values. As always, opportunities will be provided for pupils to ask questions to help further their understanding and to find out more about what may affect them personally.

Please visit the school's website under the curriculum tab for more details about our PSHEe and RSE curriculum and to view the progression of knowledge and skills which your child will be taught throughout their journey at Birches First School. A parent PowerPoint presentation is also available to provide more information about the statutory changes that have taken place to develop the RSHE guidance.

As a school community, we are committed to working in partnership with parents; If you would like to find out more, discuss any concerns or make any comments please email the PSHEe and RSE subject lead Mrs J Mogey- (mogey@birches.staffs.sch.uk). Parent letters will also be sent out prior to sensitive topics to inform you of the accurate vocabulary children will be taught as set out in the PSHEe curriculum guidance. The subject will continue to be monitored and reviewed regularly by the staff and Local Governing Board.

Yours sincerely,

Julie Mogey

PSHEe/ RSE Lead