

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 6 pupils,

As a part of your child's education at Misson Primary, we promote personal wellbeing and development through a comprehensive Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education programme. PSHE education is the curriculum subject that gives children the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live safe, healthy, productive lives and meet their full potential. From September 2020 this has become compulsory in all primary schools in England.

I am writing to let you know that, over the next few weeks, your child's class will be taking part in lessons that will focus on the relationships and sex education (RSE) aspect of this programme.

***Lessons in year 6 will include pupils learning about:***

**Identifying the links between love and committed relationships**

**What sexual intercourse is, and how it can be one part of an intimate relationship between consenting adults**

**How pregnancy occurs i.e. when a sperm meets an egg and the fertilised egg settles into the lining of the womb**

**About the responsibilities of being a parent or carer and how having a baby changes things as well as Healthy relationships, including friendships and family relationships**

**Growing and changing, including puberty; personal hygiene; changing feelings; becoming more independent; keeping safe; developing self-esteem and confidence.**

PSHE education is taught throughout the school in every year group and is monitored and reviewed regularly by the staff and governing body. All PSHE teaching takes place in a safe learning environment and is underpinned by our school ethos and values.

As a school community, we are committed to working in partnership with parents; the DfE guidance states that 'recent parental feedback has indicated that the overwhelming majority of parents continue to be highly supportive of the relationships and sex education programme.'

We would like to invite you to an information meeting to find out more about what your child will learn, view the materials and resources being used in lessons and discover how you can best support your child to discuss these topics at home. It will also provide an opportunity to speak with Mr Jones should you have any concerns you wish to discuss further.

**The meeting will be held on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024 at 5pm in the Y5/6 classroom. Please contact Mr Jones through dojo to confirm your attendance.**

Yours Sincerely,

Mr Jones and Mrs Yeaman (PSHE LEAD)