



**Ancaster**  
Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer

**Letter to parents regarding teaching of Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) and Health Education – Term 6**

In Term 6, we will be teaching our Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) unit in PSHE lessons. Government guidelines outline that, from the age of 11, it is compulsory for all schools to provide pupils with an RSE and health education curriculum.

At Ancaster Church of England Primary School, we believe that it is important to provide our pupils with a thorough and balanced curriculum, including age-appropriate information about sex and relationships.

The details of what will be taught to the various year groups are outlined in the school's Relationships (including Sex Education) and Health Education Policy and curriculum documents which can be accessed on our school website at <https://www.ancasterprimary.org.uk/> or in hard copy via our school office.

Though schools must provide RSE and health education for pupils from the age of 11, up until the age of 19, only aspects of the science national curriculum are compulsory for pupils to learn. As parents, you are entitled to request that your child be removed from the elements of our programme defined as sex education i.e learning about human conception and birth. For further details about the content of these lessons, please see the overviews for each year group from our scheme called Cambridgeshire PSHE also on our school website and the information leaflet attached.

If you wish to remove your child from these lessons, requests for withdrawal should be submitted in writing to Mr Eden who will discuss this with you and your child's teacher and determine an appropriate substitute for these lessons. In most instances, pupils will be provided with self-directed reading or exercises which they can complete under supervision.

If you have any concerns or queries about your child's participation in these lessons, please do not hesitate to contact either myself or your child's class teacher to discuss these.

Yours sincerely,

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