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Dear Year 11 Parents & Carers

This year in PHSRE lessons we will be focusing on the following topics:

Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1
Choices and pathways	Study Skills	Health and safety	Sexuality, Stereotypes, abuse and discrimination.	Life skills

As you can see we will be focussing on Health and Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) during the Spring Term. This is a compulsory subject in all secondary schools and aims to help pupils gain knowledge that will enable them to make informed decisions about their well-being, health and relationships.

Lessons will be delivered in a structured, sensitive, age appropriate and developmentally appropriate way and also delivered with reference to the laws and DFE statutory guidance. Effective RSE des not encourage early sexual experimentation. It teaches young people to understand human sexuality and to respect themselves and others. It enables young people to mature, build their confidence and self-esteem and understand the reasons for delaying sexual activity.

The role of parents and carers in the development of children's understanding about RSE is vital. Parents and carers do have the right to request that their child be withdrawn from some or all of sex education delivered as part of statutory RSE however, pupils in Year 11 may still request that they receive this statutory curriculum against their parents' wishes so we suggest that you discuss this with your child at home. We hope that you will work closely with us to help your child grow, mature and form healthy relationships.

If you would like to discuss any of the information contained within this letter or to discuss withdrawing your child then please do not hesitate to contact me via email in the first instance.

Yours faithfully

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