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Dear Parents/Carers

As you may already be aware, the Department for Education has announced changes to Relationship, Health and Sex Education (RHSE) following a nationwide consultation. These changes need to be in effect by the summer term, when all schools are required to comply with the updated requirements. We are keen to share our plans with you and understand your views on it.

The main change is the RHSE, or PHSCE (Personal, Health, Social and Citizenship Education) as it is also known, has largely become a compulsory, foundation subject so it is now part of the National Curriculum which all schools need to follow. The only part of the RHSE which is not compulsory is the sex education element. This is taught in Maple Class and parents/carers are given the opportunity to view the resources prior to the teaching of the lessons. As it is not compulsory, parents have the option to withdraw their children from this by submitting a written request and talking to Miss May or Mrs McGoldrick.

We have always taught RHSCE to our children at Littledean C of E Primary School as this is part of a wider programme of personal, social and health education, which includes lessons throughout the year on topics such as anti-bullying, online safety, keeping our bodies fit and healthy, healthy friendships, keeping safe and many more.

We invite to you to have a look at the following documents:

- RHSE Policy
- Two Year RHSE Plan for all classes
- Two Year Science Plan for all classes (including the sex education element for Maple Class)
- Information about the statutory coverage for all children by the end of primary school
- DfE RSE Guide for Parents

Having looked at the documents we would be grateful if you could complete the short survey, which can be found using the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/K8XAd21H7g>

The link to the survey will close at 3pm on Tuesday 4th May, so please register your views before then.

While most of our RHSE is now required National Curriculum Content, we do want to take on board feedback around how it is taught and share all of the information with you.

I would like to thank you in advance for your views.

Yours sincerely

Hayley McGoldrick

Head Teacher: Mrs Hayley McGoldrick