



# OLD PALACE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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12<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Dear Year 5 Parents/ Carers,

## Year 5 Lesson on Changes at Puberty

The Year 5 pupils have been learning about life cycles this half term, as their Science topic. As part of this unit the children will be taught a Sex and Relationship Education (SRE) lesson, which will teach them how the body changes during puberty.

Parents have the right to withdraw their children from this lesson. To support parents in making an informed decision about whether or not they wish their child to attend, we will be holding information sessions on Thursday to explain what will be taught. In response to feedback from last year's Parent Councillors, we do not intend to show any videos or moving images. At the sessions parents will have the opportunity to look at the worksheets that we intend to use instead, which do not include any images of the human body. The sessions for Year 5 parents will take place in the Community Room at the following times:

<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>9.15- 9.45am</b>	<b>Mums and Dads</b>
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>10.00 – 10.30am</b>	<b>Mums only</b>
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>3.00 - 3.30pm</b>	<b>Dads only</b>

The SRE lesson on puberty will take place from **9.15-10.00am on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May** and the boys and girls will be taught separately. Children who are not attending the lesson will go to assembly while this is taking place. It is important that any parents choosing to withdraw their child, make arrangements to discuss puberty at home to support their child in understanding the changes that will happen to them.

Please could you sign and return the slip below by Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May, to show that you have received and read this letter.

Yours faithfully,

Miss Blackburn

### **Well Being Leader**

I confirm that I have read the letter and know the times of the parent meetings.

I will be attending the workshop at 9.15am/ 10.00am/ 3.00pm (delete as appropriate)

**Or** I will not be attending the workshop.

Child's Name.....

Class.....

Parent signature.....

Date.....



Headteacher: Mr G. Palmer BA (Hons)  
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