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Tuesday 30th January 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

This half term, the Year 6 topic is Fit for Life in which the children learn about healthy lifestyles. As part of this learning, a lesson will be delivered on puberty, which will be taught separately to boys and girls. All pupils are required to attend this lesson as the Department for Education made the teaching of Relationships & Sex Education (RSE) compulsory in all school.

We know this is a sensitive issue, and so in line with our RSE policy, we have arranged for parent virtual workshops and an onsite workshop to take place, as an opportunity to show and discuss the resources we intend to use within the lesson. We have already adapted the recommended resources by taking out clips and images.

You will receive a text message inviting you along, with the relevant information to access the session (if you chose to attend a virtual session). If you attend the virtual sessions, we do ask that all parents remain muted, with camera's off to ensure effective use of time. There will be a chat box where you can ask questions, which myself and Mr Heighington will address at the end of the meeting in breakout rooms for mums and dads.

Monday 5th February 2024

Afternoon Sessions

Onsite workshop 2:45pm-3:15pm (downstairs hall)

Virtual workshop 4pm-4:30pm (breakout rooms for Mums and Dads separate at the end)

Tuesday 6th February 2024

Morning Session

Virtual workshop 10am-10:30am (breakout rooms for Mums and Dads separate at the end)

At the end of the session, I will also share the resources created for the conception lesson (how fertilisation takes place). Parents do have the right to withdraw their child from this lesson if they wish to do so, as sex education is not compulsory in primary schools. The children whose parents have asked for them to be withdrawn, will be taken out to complete a learning activity in a different room. A letter will be sent to parents in advance of the conception lesson taking place, asking parents to indicate whether or not they wish their child to stay in for the short 15-minute conception lesson.

Yours Sincerely,

Ms Matin

Year 6 Lead, Science Subject Leader



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