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Dear, Parents and Carers,

Relationships Education

As a part of your child's education at Overdale School, we promote personal wellbeing and development by giving children the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live safe, healthy, productive lives and meet their full potential.

You may be aware that the Department for Education has introduced new guidance for schools on how they are to deliver their 'Relationships Curriculum' from September 2020. We are in the process of updating our policy and planning for lessons we intend to deliver, but we want to be sure that the curriculum we provide, meets the statutory guidance and also meets the views and beliefs of the families we serve. Lessons will include pupils learning about: Healthy relationships, including friendships; families; growing and changing; personal hygiene; changing feelings; becoming more independent; keeping safe; developing self-esteem and confidence.

The government's guidance can be accessed on the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/relationships-education-relationships-and-sex-education-rse-and-health-education/relationships-education-primary>

We had planned to host a Parents' Workshop, but unfortunately this is unable to go ahead. However, we have uploaded the PowerPoint onto our school website under the 'Curriculum – PSHE' tab. We would really welcome your thoughts to ensure that our curriculum matches the community we serve.

In addition to the Relationships Curriculum, Year 5 and 6 children only, will be introduced to Sex Education, which will run alongside their science and relationships lessons. Parents have the right to request that their child be withdrawn from some or all of sex education curriculum that will be delivered. Please contact school if you would like more information about this.

Please could you have a look at the resources attached to the PSHE curriculum page on the website and complete the survey. As a school community, we are committed to working in partnership with you and look forward to your comments and feedback.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Vicki Logan

Headteacher

Mr Gary Lawton

Health and Well-being Subject Leader