

14th May 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

As part of the Year 6 topic on the human body, the syllabus requires the teaching of Relationships and Sex Education. We cover the following areas:

- Relationships and consent
- Reproduction: physical and emotional maturity
- Puberty: body changes
- Conception: sperm and egg needed to make a baby
- How babies are made and born

On the week beginning Monday 7th June, Monday 14th June and Monday 21st June we will be showing the children a series of short programmes from "All About Us: Living and Growing" by Channel 4. The programmes will be followed up by discussion with the children. Both classes will watch the DVDs together and will then split into single sex groups for the discussion. Children will have the opportunity to ask anonymous questions through the use of a question box.

In the primary school sector, parents have the right to withdraw their child from either part or all of Sex Education. However this does not include the aspects of Sex Education also covered by Science, Relationship Education and Health Education. Therefore the option of withdrawing a child from our planned provision at Busbridge CE Junior School only applies to the following areas:

- Sexual intercourse: the children will learn a little about the mechanics of conception and be shown a short animation of intercourse
- Birth: there is a short video clip of a baby being born

Please contact your children's class teacher if you would like to withdraw them from any of the elements of the lessons.

Should parents wish to borrow the DVD before we watch them, please contact us at school. If you have any concerns regarding the content of these lessons or wish to withdraw your child, please notify us before half term.

Attached are two guides (short and long version) for parents to support discussing these issues with your children.

Yours sincerely

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