

As you may already be aware, the Department for Education announced changes to RSE (Relationships, sex and health education) following nationwide consultation. These changes came into effect from September 2020 and all schools are required to comply with the updated requirements no later than Summer 2021.

As a school we hoped the covid restrictions would have allowed us to offer a face to face consultation period with parents, however this does not look likely. We are therefore sharing this information with you electronically and offering you a period to respond.

For your information, the statutory guidance can be found at:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/relationships-education-relationships-and-sex-education-rse-and-health-education>

Relationships Education is designed to help children to have positive and safe relationships with family, friends and online.

Health Education will help children to make good decisions about their health and wellbeing and enable them to know how to seek support if any health issues arise for themselves or others.

We would like to offer a consultation period to parents that will take place between Friday 28th May and Tuesday 8th June 2021.

At Marfleet Primary Academy, we have been delivering Relationships and Health Education within our Roots curriculum (PSHE) prior to this conversion. We have reviewed our Roots curriculum to make sure that our lessons meet the requirements that the government has set out for the content of Relationships, Sex and Health Education.

We have also updated our Relationships and Sex Education policy to reflect the new statutory status for Relationships Education, and we are inviting parents to consider this policy before it is finalised. A copy can be found within this form or requested via the school office.

If you have any comments or questions about the policy, please email these to c.frankish@ebor.academy by Tuesday 8th June 2021. We will consider all comments and queries received.