

CHURCHFIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of the statutory National Curriculum, aspects of relationships and sex education are taught to all pupils. This includes understanding growth, life cycles and reproduction for animals/mammals and naming of body parts. We believe that this biological approach needs to be balanced with an emphasis on relationships, feelings and values. We are particularly concerned to ensure our children know how to keep themselves safe and healthy and develop confidence and self-esteem to ensure they are not vulnerable or exploited in any way.

This year, we are using new materials as part of personal and social health education. We are delivering the Entrust 'Me and My relationships' unit as part of our Personal Social and Health Education scheme. This programme has been developed by PSHE Advisors from Entrust (Staffordshire County Council Education team). It includes the transition programme for year 6, which ensures continuity and age-appropriate progression for Staffordshire secondary schools.

As part of our planning for the delivery of this programme, we have ensured that there is consistency with our school's ethos and related polices, such as safeguarding, equality and bullying. The programme will be delivered by the classroom teacher(s). There will be opportunities for the children to work in mixed and single gender groups and exercises will be adapted to take into account different levels of maturity and ability. We encourage pupils to ask questions, seek further information and complete activities at home. We see this work as a partnership between school and home.

We have placed details of the up to date PSHE and SRE policies on our website, but if you would like to examine the materials used yourself or discuss the topic further please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for you continued support.

Diane Beardsmore Headteacher