

Parents and Carers,

As a part of your child's education at Clowne Infant and Nursery School, we promote personal wellbeing and development through a comprehensive Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education programme. PSHE education is the curriculum subject that gives children the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live safe, healthy, productive lives and meet their full potential.

I am writing to let you know that, as of September 2020 (delayed until 2021 due to Covid) Relationships and Health Education is now compulsory for all pupils receiving primary education and will be implemented within our PSHE lessons.

Throughout school children will be learning about: Healthy relationships, including friendships and families; Growing and changing, including puberty and personal hygiene; Changing of emotions; becoming more independent; keeping safe; developing self-esteem and confidence. Pupils will also have opportunities to ask questions. All of this content should support the wider work of schools in helping to foster pupil wellbeing and develop resilience and character that we know are fundamental to pupils being happy, successful and productive members of society.

In Primary Education, sex education is not compulsory. However, guidance set states that primary schools should teach about relationships and health. The national curriculum for science also includes subject content in related areas, such as the main external body parts, the human body as it grows from birth to old age and animals including humans have offspring which grow into adults.

PSHE education is taught throughout the school in every year group and is monitored and reviewed regularly by staff and governing body. Please visit the school's website: <https://www.clowne-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk/> for more detail about our PSHE curriculum. All PSHE teaching takes place in a safe learning environment and is underpinned by our school ethos and values.

As part of implementing the RSE curriculum, schools must consult with the children, parents, staff and governors to ensure there is a general consensus on our approach to our RSE Policy and the curriculum content. Clowne Infant and Nursery school will be starting their consultation process from Friday 11th June until Friday 18th June. Our draft RSE policy will be available for you to access and review via our school website. Parents will have a week to inform the school, having read the policy, about any concerns or queries that they may have. The school will then take into consideration the comments before publishing the final RSE Policy.

As a school community, we are committed to working in partnership with parents therefore if you would like to find out more or discuss any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours Sincerely,

Chloe Alsop

Subject Lead for PSHE education.

