

Wolverhampton City Council

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Dear Parents/Carers,

From September 2020 relationships and health education in primary schools became statutory, however due to the Covid19 pandemic schools were given an extension to deliver the new curriculum. Schools are required to have an RSE policy which outlines how they will deliver this important curriculum and the school approach to non-statutory Sex education.

We wanted to update you about the work we have been doing to teach the new statutory requirements and share our policy with you.

We have been working on how we can make sure that our PSHE education programme, where these subjects will all be taught, meets the new Government requirements and the needs of our pupils.

We have worked hard to make sure that our new curriculum reflects:

- Our pupils' age and maturity levels, as well as their cultural backgrounds
- The values of our school community
- Every pupil's learning needs
- What pupils need to know to be healthy and safe in school and our community, in their relationships and in the wider world

As your views are very important to us, we had planned to hold a parent consultation meeting this term to discuss the new curriculum and policy, however this was not possible due to the Coronavirus pandemic. We are still eager to get your feedback and so as an alternative, we are now running an online consultation process for parents/carers.

The online consultation will consist of:

Sharing an overview of the curriculum to be taught on the school website and Facebook page. This will allow parents to become familiar with the statutory curriculum and any extras we have included as we feel they are essential for our children.

Sharing our RSE and PSHE policy on our website and Facebook page. This will allow parents to understand how the curriculum will be taught and the reasons we have developed the non-statutory curriculum (Sex education) as we have.

Using a designated email address parentfeedback@castlecroftprimaryschool.com to gather feedback

Parents are invited to ask questions on the new policy and curriculum overview from 15/2/2021 until 22/2/21. We will then take that week to look at questions and consider our response and will respond to parents by 1/3/21 before we then make any amendments necessary and take our policy to governors to be ratified. Our final policy will then be published on the school website and hard copies will be available upon request.

This consultation is really important to the school and we would very much like all parents/carers to be involved on this. It is important that our parents have a clear understanding of what the Government is asking us to teach and how we have arranged our curriculum to do this.

Yours sincerely

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