

Brighstone C.E Aided Primary School

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PSHE and RSE parental consultation

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Dear parents and carers,

The Department for Education has announced changes to Relationships and Sex Education (RSE). These changes will come into effect from September 2020 and all schools will be required to comply with the updated requirements.

In line with this new RSE curriculum, at Brighstone Primary we have also revised our Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) curriculum, which includes updated resources that are in line with current guidance. The new PSHE scheme of work that we are introducing will support children's wellbeing, as well as their personal and social development, especially in these current circumstances. Therefore, although schools now have the option of delaying the implementation of RSE until later in the year due to school closures, at Brighstone we have decided to introduce the new curriculum for PSHE and RSE from September 2020.

This means that we have reviewed our PSHE, Relationships and Sex Education Policy and curriculum so we can be sure our PSHE and RSE provision is appropriate for our pupils based on their:

- > Age
- Physical and emotional maturity
- > Religious and cultural backgrounds
- > Special educational needs and/or disabilities

When revising this policy and curriculum, schools are required to consult parents and at Brighstone we are committed to working in partnership with parents; we would therefore appreciate your feedback before the new curriculum is introduced.

Here is how you can help:

- 1. Read the PSHE, Relationships and Sex Education Policy (that also includes information about the curriculum content) which is available on the home page of our website
- Provide feedback via the online parent survey portal: https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/VGIF2S/
 (The closing date for this is noon on Wednesday 1st July)
- 3. Participate in a focus discussion group for parents, which will be held on Zoom due to the current social distancing measures (see further information about this below)

Paper copies of the survey and policy are available on request.

Focus discussion group for parents

We will be running a focus discussion group for parents about this new policy and curriculum on **Friday 3rd July** at **1.30pm** (we anticipate that this will last no longer than an hour). This is to enable you to ask any further questions and to give your feedback in more depth if required. If you would like to participate in this, please email the school (**office@brighstoneprimary.org.uk**) by Wednesday 1st July and we will send you a Zoom invite.

Many thanks,

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(Acting Headteacher) (PSHE and RSE subject leader)