

Friday 4th May 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,

At Etonbury Academy, one of the aims of our Personal, Social, Health, Citizenship Education (PSHCE) curriculum is to promote well-being and effective health education for all of our Secondary students.

Integrated into our PSHCE programme is the essential aspect of SRE (Sex and Relationship Education) because students need to develop their understanding of relationships, sex and sexual health.

SRE lessons provide the students the opportunities to learn about themselves in a safe environment while encouraging students to take responsibility for their own and other's sexual health. We aim to help our students reduce behaviours that may place them at risk by providing them with the knowledge, skills and attitudes that will help them make safe and responsible choices about relationships and sex.

SRE is taught as a developing topic designed to help the students answer questions that are relevant to them while building on the child's, age appropriate, knowledge and understanding. Therefore, I would like to inform you that **after May half term**, as part of PSHCE lessons, pupils will be receiving their Relationships and Sex education lessons.

Although the vast majority of parents and carers wish their child to receive school based SRE, there is a parental right to withdraw children from the non-statutory aspects of the programme. If you would like your child to be withdrawn from any part of the SRE programme, please email me tgant@bestacademies.org.uk.

Yours sincerely,



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