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Dear Parents, Carers

Supporting your child to face the challenges of the modern world. A guide to our Relationships and Sex Education Policy

Teaching children about relationships is a vital part of their education and something that we have taken very seriously at Gentleshaw Primary Academy for many years. From September, Relationships and Sex Education has now become a compulsory part of the curriculum and we are aware that this change has attracted some publicity.

In order to ensure that our parents are fully informed we have, in partnership with other academies in our Trust, produced an information film which is now available on our academy website, on the RSE page.

The Sex Education programme at Gentleshaw is linked heavily to the Science curriculum and the human life cycle as we aim to prepare pupils for adolescence and the changes they will encounter. All material is age appropriate and will be delivered in a professional, caring and sensitive manner. The presentation available for you includes examples of the resources we use and explains ways for you to share your views about the content we cover.

Your child's mental health and well-being is very important to us and we know that the challenges our children face as they grow up are many and varied. These range from online safety through to maintaining self-esteem in a social media dominated environment. They also include understanding the concept of personal privacy and knowing exactly what is suitable behaviour.

We believe that through our curriculum and working together with yourselves, we will help our children meet those challenges.

We hope you find the information film valuable.

Thank you for your continued support.