

6th November 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

Y6 Growing Up Talks

Our SRE (Sex Education and Relationship Policy) provides guidelines relating to Sex Education as part of the school's ongoing PSHE (Personal, Social and Health Education) Curriculum. The overall aims of the PSHE provision at Beverley Minster School include the fostering of the development of the values and skills necessary to live a healthy lifestyle and to make informed and responsible decisions. Whilst the prime responsibility for sex education lies with parents and carers, a programme of learning is presented by the school in Year 6.

Year 6 pupils have a talk named *Growing Up and Readiness for Secondary School* delivered by our Public Health Nurses. The aim of the talk is to prepare young people for puberty as it brings about many changes to the body as they transition from a child, to an adolescent, to an adult. This talk will take place on **Monday 11th November**.

Children watch a series of videos and you are able to view these yourself by following this link, <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ub0c2xFOKpQ</u>

Additional information for parents when talking to their children about puberty is available by following this link, <u>Puberty/Growing-up Talk | Humber ISPHN</u>.

Parents Right to Request their Child be Excused from Sex Education

"Parents have the right to request that their child be withdrawn from some or all of sex education delivered as part of statutory Relationships and Sex Education" DfE Guidance p.17.

At Beverley Minster CE Primary School, puberty is taught as a statutory requirement of SRE Education and covered by our Jigsaw PSHE Programme in the 'Changing Me' Puzzle (unit). We conclude that sex education refers to Human Reproduction, and therefore inform parents of their right to request their child be withdrawn from the PSHE lessons that explicitly teach this.

Parents have the right to withdraw your child from the following sessions:

- The Jigsaw Changing Me Puzzle (unit) Year 6, Lesson 4 (conception, birth)
- Growing up and Readiness for Secondary School delivered by the Public Health Nursing Team on Monday 11th November 2024.

Should you wish to exercise this right, please email the school **by Saturday 9**th **November 2024, marked as Excused from Sex Education**. If we do not receive an e-mail we will assume that you do <u>not</u> wish to exercise your right of withdrawal.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards

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'Encourage one another and build each other up' 1 Thessalonians 5:11

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