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Dear parents/carers,

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As you may already be aware, the Department of Education changed the Relationships, Health and Sex Education guidance for schools. Schools are required to comply with the updated requirements. The statutory guidance can be found at

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/sex-and-relationship-education>

This guidance focuses on healthy relationships and keeping children safe in the modern world. It also covers a wide range of topics relating to physical and mental health, wellbeing, safeguarding and healthy relationships.

Learning about emotional, social and physical aspects of growing up will give children and young people the information, skills and positive values to have safe, fulfilling relationships and help them to take responsibility for their own wellbeing.

We have therefore been updating our RHSE curriculum and policy so we can be sure that our provision is appropriate for our pupils based on their:

- Age
- Physical and emotional maturity
- Religious and cultural backgrounds
- Special Educational Needs and Disabilities

What is taught, and how, is ultimately a decision for school and consultation does not provide a parental veto on curriculum content as schools are legally required to teach the National Curriculum. The right to withdraw children from some lessons is explained in the FAQs on the DFE website.

If you have any queries or concerns regarding the curriculum, please do not to hesitate to contact me via [head@churchvale.notts.sch.uk](mailto:head@churchvale.notts.sch.uk)

Yours sincerely,  
J. Yardley