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Dear Parents and Carers

RSE AND HEALTH EDUCATION

Government guidelines outline that, from the age of 11, it is compulsory for all schools to provide an RSE and health education curriculum.

At our school, we believe that it is important to provide our students with a thorough and balanced curriculum, including age-appropriate information about sex and relationships. The details of what will be taught to the various year groups is detailed in the [ATLP's RSE and Health Education Policy](#). There will be a one-week consultation period between 12 December 2024 to 19 December 2024 during which time parents/carers are able to ask questions to learn more about this. Please email: enquiry@trss.bham.sch.uk.

Though schools must provide RSE and health education for students from the age of 11, up until the age of 19, only aspects of the science national curriculum are compulsory for students to learn. Therefore, as parent/carer, you are entitled to request that the child in your care be removed from sex education lessons up to and until three terms before they turn 16-years-old. After that point, if the student wishes to receive sex education, the school will make arrangements to provide them with sex education during one of those terms.

Requests for withdrawal should be submitted in writing to myself, who will discuss this with you and your child's teacher and determine an appropriate substitute for these lessons. In most instances, children will be provided with self-directed reading or exercises which they can complete under the supervision.

If you have any concerns or queries about your child's participation in these lessons, please do not hesitate to contact email enquiry@trss.bham.sch.uk.

Yours faithfully

Mrs N Gould
Headteacher