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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Relationships and Sex Education (RSE)- Summer 2023**

As part of BBEC's wider Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education programme, your child will be receiving lessons on relationships, sexual health and personal safety.

We would like to consult with parents as we develop and review our policies and practice for RSE, which will inform our decisions on when and how certain content is covered. Documentation including our RSE policy, PSHE Association Programme of Study on which our PSHCE scheme of work is based with the DfE guide for parents can be found on our website. <https://www.buttershaw.net/department-pages/re-social-sciences/>

The purpose of the RSE curriculum is to provide students with the knowledge and understanding of how to have safe and healthy relationships based on respect throughout their life. Students will be taught some elements of the RSE curriculum through our Period 4 Values in Practice Programme and through their RE and science lessons.

You do have a right to withdraw your child from sex education delivered as part of RSE which, unless there are exceptional circumstances, will be granted up to three terms before your child turns 16. At this point, if your child wishes to receive sex education rather than be withdrawn, the school should make arrangements for this to happen in one of the three terms before the child turns 16 - the legal age of sexual consent. Any parent who wishes to withdraw their child from sex education will need to meet with the Headteacher to discuss this.

There is no right to withdraw from Relationships and Health Education and we believe the content of these subjects such as family, friendship, safety (including online safety) – are important for all children to be taught. We are confident you will share our enthusiasm for the successful implementation of the new PSHCE curriculum, which we feel will benefit all our students.

If you would like to discuss any aspect of the RSE curriculum, please contact [admin@bbec.bdat-academies.org](mailto:admin@bbec.bdat-academies.org)

Yours sincerely

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