

Chadwell Heath Academy

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Headteacher: Mr. R. Poddington

Dear Parent,

I am writing to you with regards to the Relationship, Sex Education and Health Programme in our school.

All of our modules are written in accordance with the statutory guidance provided by the Government and focus on the following elements:

- adopting a **proactive safeguarding approach**
- teaching students **mutual respect** and a **sense of responsibility**
- teaching **age appropriate, pupil sensitive** and **evidence based RSHE** that is guided by the law
- complying with the relevant requirements of the **Equality Act 2010**

However, although Relationships and Health Education are compulsory, parents retain the right to withdraw their child from Sex Education lessons. Each year we are therefore asking you to look at the curriculum in order to make an informed decision.

Attached to this email you can find our Schemes of Work for each Year Group, which will provide you with an overview of the diverse nature of this programme and highlight which lessons are classified as Sex Education. Further details such as the policy and examples of the teaching material can be found on our website.

Please be advised that should you feel uncertain about your child attending specific Sex Education lessons within RSHE, and are therefore considering withdrawing them from these lessons, you must first contact the Head of Year of your child's Year Group directly:

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- Year 8 Ms Kelly lkelly@chadwellacademy.org.uk
- Year 9 Ms McGee kmcgee@chadwellacademy.org.uk
- Year 10 Mr Sharda rsharda@chadwellacademy.org.uk
- Year 11 Ms Hand: shand@chadwellacademy.org.uk

Yours sincerely,

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