



Tuesday 13th July

Dear Parents and Carers,

As a part of your child's educational experience at Gig Mill Primary School, we aim to promote personal wellbeing and development through a comprehensive programme of Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education that gives children and young people the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live healthy, safe, productive and fulfilled lives, both now and in the future.

As you may already be aware, the Department for Education has announced changes to relationships and sex education following nationwide consultation. These changes require all schools to comply with the updated requirements. The statutory guidance can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/relationships-education-relationships-and-sex-education-rse-and-health-education>

The new 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. Many of these aspects are already included in our existing curriculum, in a more informal way. We have developed a new curriculum overview, which incorporates and builds on our current provision in these areas. Learning about the 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 take responsibility for their own wellbeing.

As part of our parental consultation process on these changes, we invite you to have a look at our draft RSHE policy, which includes an overview of how the requirements will be delivered in a spiral approach across each year group with similar themes built upon each year in an age-appropriate context. We are keen to work with you as much as possible in discussing how RSHE is delivered at Gig Mill Primary School. There may be questions or queries, which we hope you will raise with us through our feedback form. While the RSHE statutory content is required by the National Curriculum, we do want to take on board feedback around how it is taught in our school.

We thank you for taking the time to read the policy. We would really appreciate it if you could take a few more minutes to complete a short questionnaire online in order to pass on any comments or feedback you may have following reading the draft policy. <https://forms.office.com/r/JamKyadm9U>

Thank you for your support,

Mrs Griffiths & Mrs Daniels
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