

Dear Parents and Carers

RE: RSE Policy

As we have reached the completion of our Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) consultation process, I wanted to thank everyone for their many thoughtful and helpful contributions to our policy and our ethos regarding RSE. During the RSE workshops I led, which many of you attended, it was very positive to see that parents and carers engaged so well with the materials.

It is important to note that the RSE policy that we have adopted has been written by Local Headteachers from our Local Authority and has been further developed with guidance from Chelmsford Diocese. Where we have made changes or none, we have carefully considered and listened to all views.

As part of the consultation process, we have made the following changes to our RSE policy.

"For example, you may come across families where two men or two women have chosen to live together or marry and bring up children together or where there is only one parent."

This has now become the following sentence:

"For example, you may come across families where two men or two women live together or marry and bring up children together or where there is only one parent."

Secondly, we have reiterated our support of the Archbishop of Canterbury's statement by including the following extract:

We are proud to support this ethos and at our school, we love, embrace and accept the diversity of our school community. We celebrate the fact that our school community is made up of people who are in happy, loving relationships of all varieties, as well as having people in our community who have identified as gender neutral; we love, accept and respect all people, just as God has taught us to love our neighbour in the same way that we love ourselves.

With the consultation process now complete, the governors have ratified our final RSE policy which can be found on our website. This policy will be reviewed again next year this time.

On our website, you will be able to find all relevant documents related to RSE and the consultation process undertaken.

Again, I would like to thank you for your support of and contributions to our RSE policy and RSE curriculum.

Yours sincerely,



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Head of School