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Dear Parents/Carers

New RSE Curriculum (Draft)

As part of your child's educational experience at Telford Infant School we aim to promote personal wellbeing and development through a comprehensive taught programme of Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education that gives our young people the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live healthy, safe, productive and fulfilled lives, both now and in the future. From September 2020 the Department for Education is making Relationships Sex Education and Health Education compulsory in all schools.

What does the new guidance mean?

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.

At Telford Infant School we have already been teaching our Protective Behaviours curriculum for several years and this will not change, even in Reception. This curriculum covers a wide aspect of the relationships programme in a child friendly and appropriate manner. As an infant school we do not have to teach any part of the sex education programme but it does mean that parents will **not** have a right to withdraw children from the relationships part of our curriculum.

Any RSE sessions will be incorporated within our comprehensive PSHE program facilitated and planned by the class teacher and delivered in a child friendly manner which is appropriate and tailored towards the needs of the class. Some sessions may be taught weekly but ,where possible, we will strive to find cross- curricular links with other subject areas such as Science, PE and Religious Education. At all times we will ensure that the curriculum fits in with the aims and ethos of Telford Infant School.

As part of this process we are required to consult parents which is clearly difficult to do given the present circumstances. To assist this we have created an outline document which highlights the different aspects of the new PSHE curriculum in Year 1 and Year 2. Reception will continue to follow their own bespoke programme including Protective Behaviours.

This outline is also attached for your reference but can also be accessed via the school website. If you have any queries please address them to admin@welearn365.com by the July 31st and we will be happy to address them.

Many thanks

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PSHE Subject Lead

