Dear Parent/Carers,

As you may be aware the Department for Education (DfE) have made Relationships, Health and Sex Education statutory from September 2020.

At Jo Richardson Community School we have been teaching an age appropriate Personal, Development Education (PDE) Curriculum for years and are therefore well placed to meet the requirements from the DfE. Teaching our students these life skills are an important part of our curriculum. At Jo Richardson Community School we want our students to leave school with the knowledge, skills and attributes to develop healthy relationships and keep themselves safe.

We are currently reviewing our curriculum and policy to ensure that we are meeting the new requirements from the DfE and the needs of our students and as part of this were planning to engage with parents in the summer term. Our plans to engage with parents have obviously had to change due to school closures as a result of Covid-19.

As an alternative for now please refer to the guidance on "GOV.UK relationships and sex education (RSE) (secondary)". The RSE curriculum outline will be on the website soon. In regards to parental engagement on this area please feel free to email the following address with any queries or concerns you may have, <a href="mailto:PDEHead@jorichardson.org.uk">PDEHead@jorichardson.org.uk</a>.

Kind regards,

Miss Hector Head of PDE