



19th April 2021

Dear Parent / Carer,

RELATIONSHIP AND SEX EDUCATION CONSULTATION

As you may be aware, Relationships Education became statutory for all primary schools from September 2020. For all schools, Sex Education as part of the Science curriculum remains the same. In light of these changes to the requirement for Relationship and Sex Education (RSE) we are now consulting with parents, Governors and staff on how we can ensure our updated RSE policy meets the legal requirements as well as the needs of our children.

The school has revised its RSE policy using a model produced by the Catholic Education Service (CES), and adopted by the Governing Body. They have ensured that it considers and reflects the values and aims of the school; the age of the children and the range of learning needs.

Members of the Saint Patrick's staff team have participated in a range of Diocesan and National training events, and the Leadership team have made the decision to adopt **'Life to the Full'** – a programme of Study developed by Ten Ten, which has similarly been adapted widely by schools across Clifton Diocese. This programme of study is based on **'A Model Catholic Relationship and Sex Education Curriculum'** by the CES, which received praise as an example of good practice by the Department for education.

Due to the current Government restrictions, our consultation will be held virtually using the school website and this period opens today (Monday 19th April 2021) and will conclude on Wednesday 28th April 2021.

If you would like to participate in this, please go to the RSE Consultation page under the 'Parents' tab on the school website, and you will find the proposed school policy, the CES Curriculum document and access to the Parent Portal of the 'Life to the Full' programme content.

Please provide any feedback using the online form that you will be able to access on the same page.

Thank you in advance for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

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