

Wednesday 10th February 2021

Re: Relationship and sex education at Leytonstone School - consultation

Dear parents and carers,

I understand that there has been some confusion created over our proposed consultation of the above. You may have received a text message today informing you that the consultation is taking place this evening (Wednesday 10th February). This is not correct.

The consultation meeting will take place on **Wednesday 24th February at 5pm**. A Zoom link will be sent 24 hours prior to the meeting taking place.

Please accept my apologies for the confusion caused.

As a part of your child's education at Leytonstone School, we promote personal wellbeing and development through a comprehensive Personal, Social, Health, Relationship, Economic education programme. PSHERE education is the curriculum subject that gives young people the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live safe, healthy, productive lives and meet their full potential.

I am writing to let you know that as of September 2021, PSHERE lessons at the school will accommodate the new statutory government guidance on Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) and health education.

RSE lessons in 2021 will include teaching pupils about: intimate and sexual relationships, including sexual health; keeping safe and the law; rights and risks surrounding online and media sources; respectful relationships, including friendships and how to live a healthy and balanced lifestyle.

Pupils will also have opportunities to ask questions which help prepare them for relationships of all kinds in the modern world. RSE education is taught throughout the school in every year group and is monitored and reviewed regularly by the staff and governing body. Please visit the school's website for more detail about our PSHERE curriculum and RSE policy:

<https://www.leytonstoneschool.org/page/?title=Policies+%26amp%3B+Documents&pid=14>

All PSHERE teaching will take place in a safe learning environment and is underpinned by our school ethos and values.

We would like to invite you to attend a virtual parent information meeting on **Wednesday 24th February at 5pm** to find out more about what your child will learn and discover how you can best support your child to discuss these topics at home.

As a school community, we are committed to working in partnership with parents to ensure the best PSHERE education for our students. If you would like to find out more or discuss any concerns, we would urge you to attend the virtual PSHERE meeting and look forward to seeing you there.

Yours faithfully,

Jessica McQuaid

Head Teacher