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Dear Parents

As you may be aware the teaching of Sex and Relationship education is currently not compulsory in primary schools, however there is a government proposal to make it a statutory requirement.

The paragraphs below are from the DFE website which you may want to visit (the link is below) - there is no outcome yet, but it will be updated in due course.

'DfE is proposing that schools are required to teach relationships education at primary school, relationships and sex education at secondary school and health education at all state-funded schools.

The draft regulations and associated statutory guidance build on the findings from the call for evidence and DfE's engagement with a wide range of expert organisations and interested parties.

The responses to the consultation will help inform any further refining of the draft regulations and statutory guidance before the regulations are put before Parliament and the guidance finally published.' https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/relationships-and-sex-education-and-health-education

As agreed at yesterday's Academy Council Forum (Governors Meeting) it is a good time for us to update our SRE Policy. In order to do this in an open and equitable way, we would like to consult parents.

We will publish our proposed SRE policy on the website from the week beginning 18th March 2019. We will also be running two workshops so that we can talk you through our programme and resources. This will enable you to put the policy into context should you wish to. These workshops will be held on Tuesday 26th March at 9.00-10.00am and 5.00pm-6.00pm. The workshops are not a forum for debate; all comments are welcomed and need to be in writing. The closing dates for these comments are Monday 1st April 2019. Your comments will be taken into account when finalising our policy. I intend to put forward the policy for adoption by the Academy Council on 29th April 2019.

Yours sincerely

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