

St Martin-in-the-Fields High School for Girls

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4th May 2020

Dear parents and carers,

Relationships and Sex education and Health Education

As you may already be aware, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE), along with Health Education, will soon be forming part of the National Curriculum. These changes will come into effect from September 2020 and all schools will be required to comply with the updated requirements. As part of our school's wider Wellbeing programme, your daughter will soon receive lessons on relationships, sexual health and personal safety. This will take place in term 2 (spring) when all year groups look at the characteristics of positive and healthy relationships in all contexts.

As a school we are aware that young people are growing up in an increasingly complex world and living their lives seamlessly on and offline. This presents many positive and exciting opportunities, but also challenges and risks. In this environment, children and young people need to know how to be safe and healthy, and how to manage their academic, personal and social lives in a positive way.

The school is committed to working in partnership with parents and is keen to hear your views about how students should be taught. I have attached the draft RSE policy for you to read, along with a presentation explaining the process and a google form for your feedback.

You do have a right to withdraw your daughter from sex education delivered as part of RSE in secondary schools and details of this are in the policy.

We would be grateful for your feedback and views on the policy. The consultation window for parents and carers is **4th May to 22nd May.**

Ways to give us your feedback:

• Fill in the consultation form

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1EgIReRacvdOjmMThU1g5ZfzvVPJFKgJewY82jRpwfzA/edit

• Email Miss Pieroulli (Head of Wellbeing) on dpieroulli@stmartins.academy

• Arrange a **telephone conversation** by calling the main school office (020 86745594) and asking for a telephone appointment with Miss Pieroulli

• Write to Miss Pieroulli, St Martin-in-the-Fields High School for Girls, 155 Tulse Hill, London SW2 3UP

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or would like any further information.

Your Sincerely,

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