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Relationships and Sex Education Programme - Parental Engagement

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have recently updated our Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) materials and from 28th June will be using the updated version of 'A Journey in Love' the programme which we have used for a number of years. The programme of study 'A Journey in Love' is authentic to the teachings of the Catholic Church. The programme is the recommended and statutory programme of the Archdiocese of Liverpool and supported by the bishops. As part of our planning for the delivery of the programme we have ensured that there is consistency with our school's ethos and related policies, such as safeguarding and equalities.

The programme will be delivered by classroom teachers. There will be opportunities for the children to work in mixed and single gender groups as appropriate and exercises will be adapted to take into account different levels of maturity and ability.

I have included the aims and objectives for each year group below and just want to reassure you that all topics covered are age appropriate for the year group your child is in. I would also like to remind you that you can find our RSE policy and additional detail about the RSE curriculum on our school website, in the Key Information and RE tabs.

Early Years (Nursery and Reception) The wonder of being special and unique. The joy of being a special person in my family. We are all different and unique. The joy of being a special person in God's family.

Year 1 We meet God's love in our family. Families and specially growing up in a loving, secure, stable home. How I am cared for and kept safe in my family. Celebrating ways that God loves and cares for us.

Year 2 We meet God's love in the community. The joy and friendship of belonging to a diverse community. Ways of being safe in communities. Celebrating ways of meeting God in our communities.

Year 3 How we grow in love in caring and happy friendships where we are secure and safe. How friendships help us to feel happy and safe. Why friendships break down, how they can be repaired and strengthened. Celebrating the joy and happiness of living in friendship with God and others.

Year 4 Make links and connections to show that we are all different. Celebrate differences as we appreciate God's love accepts us as we are now and as we change. How we should all be accepted and respected. How we should treat others making links with the diverse modern society we live in. Celebrating the uniqueness and innate beauty of each of us.

Year 5 God loves us in our changing and developing. How we grow in awareness of the physical and emotional changes that accompany puberty and grow further in recognising God's presence in our daily lives. Emotional relationships as we grow and develop. Physical changes in puberty. Celebrating the joy of growing physically and spiritually.

Year 6 The wonder of God's love in creating new life. To develop a secure understanding that stable and caring relationships, which may be of different types, are at the heart of happy families. How human life is conceived. How being made in the image and likeness of God informs decisions and actions when building relationships with others including life-long relationships.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns then please respond to this letter on Parent App or speak to your child's teacher, Mrs Hints or myself through Class Dojo, email or by phoning the school office on the number above. Can any comments, questions or concerns please be shared by Friday 25th June.

Thank you as always for your continued support.

Yours Sincerely,

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