

10th October 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

As a part of your child's education at SSSC, we aim to promote personal wellbeing and development through our programme of Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education that gives children and young people the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live healthy, safe, productive and fulfilled lives.

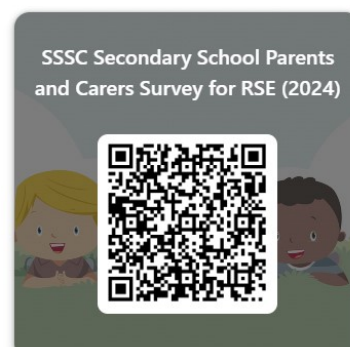
The DFE guidance focuses on healthy relationships and keeping children safe in the modern world. It also covers a wide range of topics relating to physical and mental health, wellbeing, safeguarding and positive relationships. Learning about the emotional, social and physical aspects of growing up will give our children and young people the information, skills and positive values to have safe, fulfilling relationships and help them take responsibility for their own well-being.

Early in the year the Prime Minister and Education Secretary brought forward the first review of the current curriculum. The review was informed by the advice of an independent panel of experts and went through a consultation process. At this point the 2019 guidance remains statutory guidance and schools do not need to change their current approach. Should any changes or alterations be finalised and our RSE policy need updating we will inform you.

In support of the current guidance, we have updated our schools Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) Policy. This policy can be found on our school website ([Policies | Swanwick School and Sports College \(swanwicksportscollege.co.uk\)](http://Policies_Swanwick_School_and_Sports_College_swanwicksportscollege.co.uk)) and we would welcome your feedback. Please complete the relevant Microsoft Forms questionnaire sharing your views on this Draft version of our RSE policy and to support us in updating our RSE curriculum:

Parent/Carer of Primary age pupils:
<https://forms.office.com/e/7vMvT8iy0u>

Parent/Carer of Secondary age pupils:
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At SSSC we acknowledge that it is important that we work together with yourselves in delivering effective RSE. Parent/Carers and school are children's top two preferred sources of information about sex and relationships, according to the Sex Education Forum (SEF)'s Briefing for Parliamentarians (SEF, 2019a), which emphasises that both home and school contribute to effective RSE.

At SSSC we have just been awarded the Bronze 'Building Effective Relationships Together' (BERT) Award. This has supported us in our practice to continue to develop how best to support staff, parents/carers and pupils in this area.

If you would like further information or have any questions about RSE at SSSC please don't hesitate to contact the school and any comments on how we can further develop the RSE provision for our pupils would be gratefully received.

Yours sincerely

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(Assistant Headteacher)