



# WOODHOUSE GROVE SCHOOL

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Dear Parent,

I write to inform you about our Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education (PSHCE) and Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Developments (SMSC) programme for all Sixth Form. Pupils will follow a series of lessons based around the three core themes recommended:

Health and Wellbeing	Living in the Wider World	Relationships (RSE)
Drugs -No Big Deal?	Your Brand	<b>Safer Sex/condom workshop</b>
Suicide Prevention	World of Finance Natwest	Pornography and the Law
Nebula Mental Health	Fresher/Gap Year safety	Is this Coercive Control?
Cosmetic & plastic surgery	Modern Slavery	Behind closed doors
Binge Drinking	Online subcultures and Extremism	<b>Sex Ed (Netflix resource 18)</b>
Health Choices and the NHS	Phil Fraser 'standing out' talk	Miscarriage and unplanned pregnancy
Gambling	Educate against HATE	Pornography pressures and expectations
Spiking/Vaping and SNUS	Online Blackmail/sextortion	Misogyny & Sexism

As you may already be aware, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE), along with Health Education, has formed part of the National Curriculum. As part of our school's wider PSHCE programme, your child will continue to receive age-appropriate lessons in the 6<sup>th</sup> form on relationships, sexual health and personal safety. We are still waiting for the Government to send out new guidelines but please be re-assured we work tirelessly to make sure the content is suitable for our students.

The purpose of this is to provide knowledge and understanding of safe and healthy relationships based on respect. This is to encourage the development of safe and healthy relationships throughout life. The subject is designed to help children from all backgrounds build positive and safe relationships, and to thrive in modern Britain.

You do have a right to withdraw your child from **sex** education delivered as part of RSE in secondary schools which, unless there are exceptional circumstances, will be granted up to three terms before your child turns 16. At this point, if the child themselves wishes to receive sex education rather than be withdrawn, the school must make arrangements for this to happen in one of the three terms before the child turns 16 - the legal age of sexual consent. There is no right to withdraw from Relationships Education at secondary level and we believe the content of these subjects – such as family, friendship, safety (including online safety) – are important for all children to be taught.

We endeavour to ensure each individual develops the ability to deal with a variety of situations, moral and social dilemmas, develop skills, acquire knowledge and make informed choices and decisions so they grow into responsible citizens.

If you have any questions about the course, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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