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Dear Families,

As you may already be aware, from September 2020 the Department for Education announced changes to Relationships, Sex and Health Education (RSE) following nationwide consultation. As a result of the coronavirus, there is a delay in the required teaching start date, which is now the Summer term in 2021. All schools will be required to comply with the updated requirements. The new 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 healthy relationships.

At Overchurch Infant School, Relationships & Health Education is included within a carefully planned PSHE programme, taking account of the children's age and needs and we are now going to use a new programme called 'Jigsaw' to enhance this. There are minimal changes to our current curriculum with regard to the new guidance and the age range of our children at Overchurch.

As part of the consultation, we wish to share our draft RSE policy with you and welcome your feedback on our curriculum. We are currently in unprecedented times, which makes it more challenging to hold consultations. The policy can be found on our website within the PSHE curriculum section here and we welcome any feedback emailed to the school office. The policy contains a summary of the curriculum content per year group. The resources we use to deliver these lessons are all age-appropriate and are tailored to the age and physical and emotional maturity of our pupils.

The statutory government document can also be found here:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/relationships-education-relationships-andsex-education-rse-and-health-education

Kind Regards,

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