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Dear Parents and Carers of Year 6 children,

Over the last few weeks, we have been consulting about the content we teach as part of our Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education (PSHE). We had a very positive response to our consultation, and an excellent meeting with parents and carers where we heard your feedback on our current provision. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this consultation – this gives us confidence to know that what we are teaching is supported by yourselves.

During the next half term, Year 6 children will be offered lessons that go beyond the school's statutory requirements for Relationships and Health Education. This is part of our duty of care to **safeguard** children and **prepare them for adulthood**. We are therefore writing to check whether you are happy for your children to receive them.

The content of these lessons includes:

- The link between puberty and reproduction
- Reproduction in relationships and why two people might choose to have a sexual relationship
- How babies are made through sex
- The process of conception and pregnancy

Following the consultation, and the supportive response we received, we have made the decision to include some additional content in these lessons. Children have raised these topics in lessons in previous years, and we want to ensure that children have a good enough understanding to keep themselves and others safe as they go on to secondary school. Lessons will also therefore include:

- The legal age of consent and what this means
- That a couple may have a baby through a process of IVF or adoption
- The meaning of words such as 'homosexual', 'bisexual', 'asexual' and 'trans' and that some people identify themselves with these terms
- The dangers of viewing/making explicit imagery

You can read the full details in our Relationships, Health and Sex Education policy which is on our website here: https://www.willenhallprimary.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/policy_Relationships-Health-and-Sex-Education_WCP.pdf. This is currently being updated with this additional content in light of the recent consultation and the updated policy will be published shortly.

If you have any concerns about your child taking part in these lessons please e-mail admin@willenhallprimary.org **before Friday 18th June** and we will contact you to discuss further.

Thank you for your continued support.

David Whitney
SMSC Leader



Ambitious young minds are the future leaders of our community

