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Dear parents/carers,

As part of the PSHE curriculum, students in Year 8 and Year 9 work on Relationships and Sex Education. This covers the topics of healthy and unhealthy relationships, contraception, different types of relationships including marriage and civil partnerships and sexually transmitted infections (including HIV and AIDS).

In terms 5 and 6, Year 8 students will be starting the first modules of work in their PSHE lessons on healthy relationships, consent and contraception.

As students progress into Year 9, they look at what constitutes an unhealthy relationship, the law, sexually transmitted infections and the issues surrounding pornography with young people.

Under current legislation, you have the right to withdraw your child from the sex education lesson. However, your child will still be part of the relationships aspect of the course. If you wish this to be the case, then please inform the school before Friday 22nd March. If we do not hear from you, we will assume you are happy for your child to be involved in all the lessons.

If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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Head of PSHE