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Dear Parent/Carer

### **Relationships and Sex Education**

I am writing to make you aware of some forthcoming work that Year 9 students will be doing on Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) in their Personal Social and Health education (PSHE) lessons.

All Year 9 students will begin work on RSE in the latter part of the autumn term. Their work will initially focus on Relationships and will cover such topics as Love, Trust, Pressure, Consent and 'What makes a good relationship?' They will have input from charities such as Brook, Barnardo's and first Light. Later in the spring term and during the summer term students will progress to cover such topics as Sex and the Law, Contraception, Pregnancy, Sexuality, CSE and STIs, we will be following the DfE guidance, making RSE compulsory from September 2020 and compulsory topics included.

In addition, all students will have a series of lessons during the spring and summer terms, focusing on healthy relationships and the signs, dangers and the consequences of unhealthy or abusive relationships, as well as work around Domestic abuse.

This work is an important part of the school's Personal, Social and Health Education programme, contributing towards students' moral and social development. Equally, we do recognise that these topics can be sensitive, and we would encourage you to contact us with any concerns. Where students find a particular topic upsetting we can arrange for them to be withdrawn from that particular lesson or lessons, parents have the right if they wish to withdraw their son/daughter from elements of sex education.

There is additional information about our programme, policy as well as some frequently asked questions on our website, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns please contact myself at [egue@saltashcloud.net](mailto:egue@saltashcloud.net) or if your son/daughter is taught by Miss Samuel then please feel free to email her at [fsamuel@saltashcloud.net](mailto:fsamuel@saltashcloud.net)

Yours faithfully



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