

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week, Year 6 children are timetabled to will be taking part in a Sex and Relationship Education (SRE) lesson. This is being delivered by your class teachers Miss Holmes and Mr Bray.

Parents of children who have remained at home this half term can access [the lesson, which is here on our school website](#) in order to deliver the learning to their children for themselves.

This lesson covers how human life is conceived according to the A Journey in Love scheme of work, which St Joseph's has chosen to deliver in line with the school's Catholic ethos and beliefs.

The purpose of Sex and Relationship Education (SRE) is to provide knowledge and understanding of how the human body changes during puberty and the processes of human reproduction, within the context of relationships based on love and respect. It should develop understanding and attitudes which will help pupils to form relationships in a responsible and healthy manner and to appreciate the value of stable family life, including the responsibilities of parenthood and marriage.

The key aims of SRE are to:

- 1 Provide accurate and relevant information about the physical and emotional changes that children and young people will experience through their formative years and into adulthood.
- 2 Establish an awareness of the importance of stable family life and relationships, including the responsibilities of parenthood and marriage.
- 3 Foster self-awareness and self-esteem.
- 4 Develop a sense of responsibility and respect for themselves and others.

Parents can withdraw their children from all or part of sex education that does not form part of the statutory National Curriculum. If you wish to withdraw your child from all or part of the schools sex education programme, please notify the school office or email support@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk by 4pm tomorrow, **Wednesday 8th July 2020**.

The lesson will be delivered to Year 6 children in school on **Thursday 9th July 2020**.

Yours sincerely



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Head of School

