

## **DOWSON** PRIMARY ACADEMY



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Dear Parents and Carers.

I am writing to inform you that during this half term we will be delivering the Relationship and Health Education curriculum requirement for Year 5. This will include

- Puberty/body changes a recap of year 4 content (10<sup>th</sup> July) \*
- Labelling, naming and understanding the functions of body parts (17<sup>th</sup> July) \*
- Human reproduction how a baby is conceived (17<sup>th</sup> July) \*
- Staying safe online
- Personal boundaries
- Healthy Relationships
- · Diversity respecting differences
- Challenging stereotypes

\*girls and boys are taught separately for these topics.

We appreciate that some parents may have concerns about these lessons, but I can assure you they are delivered age appropriately and we use The Tameside Public Health/LEA SRE lesson plans which have been developed especially for use with primary school children. It is important that all children take part in the lessons as we are certain that it is better to know the facts and reduce embarrassment and misconceptions around these subjects. The learning will therefore help children to communicate sensibly and effectively and in addition to this they will be able to make informed choices and keep themselves safe.

Should you have any concerns about your child taking part in the human reproduction lesson or wish to find out more please do not hesitate to contact me before  $16^{th}$  July. Also please feel free to drop in on Monday  $15^{th}$  July between 8.45-9.30am and 2-4pm pm to view the Year 5 lessons/resources before they are taught on  $17^{th}$  July.

Yours sincerely,

Michelle Ashley

