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Dear Parent / Carer,

Personal, social, health and economic (PSHE) education is a curriculum subject which develops the knowledge, skills and attributes all pupils need in order to keep healthy and safe and to prepare them for life and work in modern Britain.

We have been developing and renewing our PSHE, Sex and Relationships Education (SRE) Policy and schemes of work. All schools are currently expected to provide PSHE education on the curriculum and this expectation will be strengthened from September 2020 when the health education and relationships education aspects become compulsory in all schools.

As part of the process, school has been preparing for this and our PSHE leader, Mrs Burton has been attending PSHE network meetings, doing extensive research into schemes, led staff meetings, consulted with the governing body and are now formally consulting with you as parents/carers. This consultation process will take place until 1st July 2020. Please see the attached information including your rights as a parent.

As you will see from the draft policy, school, we have taken the decision to implement the You, Me & PSHE programme as the whole school approach. Please read the draft policy which includes the PSHE overviews for EYFS and KS1& 2 at the back. This can also be found on the PSHE page on the school website.

In doing so, it is proposed to teach sex education as part of the PSHE scheme thereby providing parents/carers with the right to ask that their child can be withdrawn. (The compulsory aspects are the Health Education and Relationships Education).

If you have any questions or comments regarding our draft policy or scheme of work, please contact school via headteacher@moorthorpe.wakefield.sch.uk. Once the consultation process has been completed, the policy will be formally adopted and then implemented from September 2020.

Mrs Deborah Birdsall

Headteacher