



Benhurst Primary School RSE Consultation Feedback

May 2021

'Only my best is good enough for me'



Thank you to everyone from Benhurst School who contributed to the LIFE Education Trust RSE consultation held at the end of March. The responses of parents from all LIFE schools have now been reviewed and the policy statement has been amended and ratified. It is now published on our school website, as well as on the LIFE website.

The responses from Benhurst parents were overwhelmingly supportive, with most stating that they feel confident in what their child will be taught in each year group within the Relationships and Sex Education Curriculum. They felt that this learning will help to keep their child safe in both the real and digital world.

From the comments and suggestions provided by Benhurst's Parents and Carers, we are taking the following action:

Whilst the consultation was regarding Relationships and Sex Education within the PSHE Curriculum, it was evident from some of the responses received that some Parents and Carers are not familiar with the full content of our PSHE curriculum, which is much broader than simply the Relationships and Sex Education content. It also includes topics such as online safety, health and well-being, money matters and British Values.

We will be sharing overviews for the full content of the PSHE curriculum (including Relationships and Sex Education) for each year group on our school website for the start of the new school year, in September 2021.

In addition to sharing the PSHE curriculum overview, we will produce reading lists of books which support the curriculum, as well as vocabulary sheets, as suggested by some parents. These will be available on the school website from September.

Please note that in Benhurst School, just as in most primary schools, the RSE curriculum will focus on Relationships Education, not Sex Education. There are elements of sex education in the primary science curriculum and we will run age-specific sex education lessons for Year 6 pupils as part of the transition process of preparing for secondary school. This is the only area of the curriculum that parents have the legal right to withdraw their child from, but we will always give Year 6 parents more detail of those lessons before they commence.

Thank you for your support during this consultation. Our new curriculum will be underway this term. The content of the curriculum pages on our school website will be updated to reflect these changes.

Many thanks, Mrs Hart and Miss Thorpe (PSHE Lead)