



ST. IGNATIUS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

In the academic year 2020/21, Relationships and Health Education (RHE) became statutory in all primary schools in England. The Department for Education requires that we teach relationships and health education to all pupils. This new subject is built upon the non-statutory lessons we had previously taught in RHE. As a Catholic school, our mission is to support the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of all of our pupils, rooted in the wisdom and teaching of the Church.

The focus of relationships education is to teach your child about what healthy and unhealthy relationships look like so they can be safe at school, at home and online. We will also teach them about how their friends' families might be different from their own families. Their friends might have different religions, speak different languages at home, or have 2 parents of the same gender.

The aim of our relationships education is to reinforce the values you're likely to be teaching your child at home:

- Being kind to others
- Respecting others' differences
- Living in peace with each other

On Tuesday, 4th March , we will be hosting an RHE information session at the school from **5:30-6pm**. This will be for **adults only** and is an opportunity for us to share how RHE is taught at St Ignatius from Early Years to Year 6, and to answer any questions you may have.

After the meeting we will send out links to a Parent Consultation, where you will be able to familiarise yourself with the content taught on an online portal.

We look forward to seeing you there,

Kind regards,

Mrs Vander Vloet and Mrs O'Neill
RSE LEADS

