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## Sex and Relationships Education lessons

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Dear Parent/Carer

In accordance with the 2002 Education Act and the 2010 Academies Act, Sex and Relationships Education in Secondary Schools is now compulsory. Next half term (6<sup>th</sup> June- 21<sup>st</sup> July) all students, YRs 7-10 will receive sex and relationships education within tutor time. A full breakdown of what each year group will be learning about is listed at the end of this letter.

It is recognised, however, that some parents may prefer that their children do not receive Sex Education at school. The 1996 Education Act states that parents have the right to withdraw their children from all or part of the sex and relationships education offered, other than those elements contained within the National Curriculum for Science.

Once I receive a request that your child be excused from Sex and Relationships lessons, that request will be complied with until you change or revoke it. Therefore if you wish to withdraw your child from Sex and Relationships lessons then please email me by Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at : [tpearson@bohuntworthing.com](mailto:tpearson@bohuntworthing.com) and I will arrange for alternative work to be set for your child while these lessons take place.

Yours sincerely,

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### Topics Covered

Year 7: Types of long term relationships; keeping safe in relationships; emotional changes; developing feelings for others during puberty.

Year 8: Forms of contraception; identifying different sexually transmitted infections; consent; laws on unwanted sexual contact; challenging homophobic, biphobic and transphobic bullying.

Year 9: Knowing when you are ready for an intimate relationship; what is 'good sex' (safety, consent, communication); the law regarding sexting; Child Sexual Exploitation; checking for cancers (e.g. breast and testicular).

Year 10: Consent; the dangers of pornography; revenge porn and upskirting; recognising an abusive relationship; support with relationship breakdown.

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