

18<sup>th</sup> May 2015,

Dear Parents,

### **Sex and Relationships Education**

Earlier this year, a group of parents and governors met to discuss and review our teaching of sex and relationships. This is part of our Personal, Social and Health Education and the Government recently published a briefing paper emphasising the importance of sex and relationships teaching in primary schools.

The group decided that our school should begin to teach some aspects of growing up from Key Stage 2 onwards. Puberty and sex education will be taught in Years 5 and 6. The group looked at resources available and thought that the most suitable resources for our school were based on 'Love and Sex Matters' published by the Diocese of Salisbury. There will be a strong emphasis on developing healthy relationships and good self-esteem.

The school has bought copies of 'What is Happening to Me?' (Boy and Girl versions) published by Usborne Books and these will be available to parents, teachers and children to borrow on request. It was felt that these books approached the subject matter in a very child friendly way. In addition, children will have a 'Worries and Wishes' box in their classroom so that they can ask questions anonymously or raise concerns that they have.

We have attached a copy of our Sex and Relationships Policy for you to have a look at. Parents and Governors who were involved in the SRE Group are more than happy to answer any questions that you might have. They will also be available to address any concerns next Thursday at 7pm in school.

Yours faithfully,

Lucy Burman  
& SRE Group (Sophie Stuart-Buttle, Rob Ward, Elaine Jeffery & Ian Noy)