



ABINGDON

From Head of Wellbeing: Paul Gooding

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Dear Parents

PSHCE Programme of Study, 3rd and 4th years, Summer term 2021

Here is an outline of the 3rd and 4th year PSHCE programmes of study for the Summer term. Students will be working through the following topics with their PSHCE teachers. I would encourage you to discuss these topics as they come up this term in order to enhance what we are doing in School.

In the 3rd year – Relationships and Sex Education

Students will be studying the following topics this term:

Lesson 1 - Love and commitment (the lesson will take place in weeks 1-2 of the Summer term)

Lesson 2 - Marriage and relationships (the lesson will take place in weeks 3-4 of term)

Lesson 3 – Parenting and healthy relationships (the lesson will take place in weeks 5-6 of term)

Lesson 4 - Feminism and women's reproductive health (the lesson will take place in weeks 7-8 of term)

Lesson 5 - Reproductive choices, pregnancy, miscarriage and the law surrounding these issues (the lesson will take place in weeks 9-10 of term)

We have also planned a *Relationships and Sex Education* morning on Wednesday 26 May with the School Doctor, external nurses and Loudmouth Theatre Company. I will write to you with more information about this event nearer the time.

In the 4th year – Relationships and Sex Education

Students will be studying the following topics this term.

Lesson 1 – Honour based and domestic violence, FGM (the lesson will take place in weeks 1-2 of term)

Lesson 2 – Sexual consent (the lesson will take place in week 3-4 of term)

Lesson 3 - Sexual harassment (the lesson will take place in weeks 5-6 of term)

Lessons 4+5 - Pornography and sexting (the lessons will take place in weeks 7-10 of term)

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Lesson 6 - Body image (week 5 of term)

Lesson 7 – The dangers of gambling (week 9 of term)

We have also planned a *Relationships and Sex Education* morning on Tuesday 6 July with the School Doctor, external nurses and the Loudmouth Theatre Company. I will write to you with more information about this event nearer the time.

Parents' webinar on Relationships and Sex Education with Dr Eleanor Draeger (an NHS sexual health consultant)

Given that the School works in partnership with parents and carers on these topics, we have planned a parents' webinar on Relationships and Sex Education on **Monday 17 May at 7pm** with an expert in this field. Do join us if you can and mark this in your diary. I will write to you nearer the time with further details.

Further information on RSE provision is provided on the [Abingdon School policies page](#) under the "*Sex and Relationships Education Policy*". This policy provides detailed information on the aims and rationale of the PSHCE courses which I hope is helpful. There is also information here about the right to opt out of these sessions should you wish to.

Should you have any further questions thereafter please feel free to contact Paul Gooding, Head of PSHCE. Thank you in anticipation of your support in this key area of the curriculum.

Many thanks and best wishes.

Paul Gooding, Head of Wellbeing & PSHCE

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