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Dear Parent/Carer,

As part of **Swanlea School's Personal Development programme**, all students during the year, will be taking part in lessons on relationships, staying safe, physical and emotional changes that take place when growing up. Lessons will be delivered by teachers and sometime professional facilitators from organisations such as the Education for Choice team (Barts Hospital and the London School of Medicine) and Compass Safe East.

The purpose of Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) is to provide knowledge and understanding to equip students with the ability to make appropriate decisions. It should develop understanding and attitudes which will help pupils to form relationships in a responsible, healthy and safe manner and to appreciate the value of stable family life, including the responsibilities of parenthood and marriage.

All teaching materials are appropriate to the age and emotional maturity of students. Teachers and professionals will aim to present the programme in an objective, balanced and sensitive manner.

Parents/carers can request withdrawal of their children from all or part of RSE that does not form part of the statutory National Curriculum. If you wish to make a request, please write to me before teaching commences (from Jan 2025 for this academic year), so we can go through all the materials and discuss appropriate arrangements.

Finally, we would like to invite you to join us at an online presentation of the RSE curriculum so that we can answer any questions that you may have. This remote meeting will take place on **Thursday 12th December at 4pm**, the meeting link will be sent out next week by text message.

Yours faithfully

Mr N Chowdhury
Assistant Headteacher