Dear Parents/Carers,

As part of our work in PSHE, we will be learning about families, friends, growing up and our bodies.

A very important part of the work will be to make sure all the children understand that the parts of their bodies under their pants and vest are private. We will learn about trusted adults to talk to and how to get help.

After half term, we will be learning that humans have children who grow into adults and special ways our families look after us as we grow. We will also be learning how amazing our bodies are and how to look after our bodies and keep them clean and healthy.

Most of this learning is part of Science, Relationships Education and Health Education which is (from September 2020) compulsory. You may be aware that you can withdraw your child from ‘Sex Education’. Our school policy explains that this is learning about how babies are made and born. In Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 there is no learning about how humans reproduce, but children will learn that animals have offspring – cats have kittens, cows have calves and humans have babies – this is part of Science. As part of teaching awareness of our own bodies, we will also be discussing the scientific names of all body parts.

You are welcome to contact a member of SLT (Mrs Pickford, Mrs Butcher or Mrs Beecroft-Sullivan) if you would like to discuss this. Equally, if you would like to discuss any issues relating to our work on RSE, or to find out more about the lessons.

We have carefully reviewed the resources we use to support our teaching, to ensure they are appropriate to the age and needs of the children. These resources can be viewed on the school website.

Yours faithfully,