

FAIRLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 2 – Sex and Relationships Education (SRE)

Over the next few weeks, the children will be covering aspects of their Sex and Relationships Education.

Sex and Relationships Education is part of the curriculum from Year 1 to Year 6. Throughout the school, children are encouraged to develop the self-esteem and confidence that they need to respond safely and responsibly to situations as they arise, both while they are at school and in the future.

The lessons comprise of watching age-appropriate television programmes which address the main issues. The programme will then be followed up by activities and discussion, led by the class teachers.

The following is a summary of the areas that will be touched on in SRE in Year 2. Please be reassured that these topics will be dealt with appropriately for the age of the children.

| Year 2 Spring 2 | How did I get here | To explain that a baby develops inside its mother's womb and that both the male and female sex parts are needed to make a baby |
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| | | To enable children to reflect on their development from babies |
| | | To inform children about conception and the growth of a baby in the womb |
| Year 2 Summer 2 | Growing up | To show that we grow and change, as do all living things |
| | | To show that some changes are social, that we become more independent and able to think about others as ourselves |
| | | To look at identity and self esteem, and reinforce the belief that we are special |

Please note that, this year, Year 2 will also be presented with the Year 1 materials, in order to 'catch up' with the elements of the SRE programme they have missed:

| Year 1 Summer 2 | Differences | To introduce children to life cycles To explore differences between male and female |
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| | | To enable children to reflect on differences between male and female other than physical differences |

Parents have the right to withdraw their child from parts of Sex and Relationships Education, which are not covered by the National Curriculum for Science. Any parent wishing to do so should inform the headteacher in writing.

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