



ST JOHN'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND (VA) FIRST SCHOOL

"Together we will give our children
the roots to grow, and the wings to fly"

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Dear Parents and Carers

You will be aware that, as a part of your child's educational experience at St John's, we aim to promote personal wellbeing and development. We deliver this through a comprehensive taught programme of Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education that gives our children the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live healthy, safe, productive and fulfilled lives, both now and in the future. The programme we have been using since September 2020 is called 'Jigsaw'.

The Department for Education has made Relationships Sex Education and Health Education compulsory in all schools. With this in mind, we have drafted a PSHE and RSE Policy for your consultation, which includes statutory requirements, curriculum content and important information for parents who may wish to withdraw their children from the sex education part, which is not included in the statutory science curriculum.

You can access a copy of the proposed policy here;

<https://www.stjohnsfrome.co.uk/key-documents>

If you would like a paper copy, please email stjohnsfrome@educ.somerset.gov.uk to request one.

We appreciate that some aspects of this curriculum may cause some parents concern; it is important that you are able to share those concerns with us. We can assure you that we are following a highly recommended scheme of work, and will always consider the experiences of the children in each class when planning specific units. The draft policy is very long, so we would like to draw your attention specifically to Appendices 1 and 4, which shows you the content for each year group.

As a school community, we are committed to working with parents, please give us feedback by email to stjohnsfrome@educ.somerset.gov.uk and in the subject heading please put PSHE/RSE. The closing date for feedback is Wednesday 19th May 2021.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Claire Marsland
Headteacher



At St John's CE VA First School the health, safety and wellbeing of every child is our top priority. We expect all staff, governors, parent/carers and visitors to share this commitment to safeguarding our pupils.