

Phoenix St. Peter Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

PSHE / RSHE Curriculum

Thank you for all your responses and feedback on the new PSHE / RSHE policy and curriculum we will deliver using the very well-structured SCARF programme (Safety, Caring, Achievement, Resilience and Friendship).

In response to concerns raised by parents and carers we will:

- Continue to teach puberty in Years 5 and 6, linked to the National Science Curriculum.
 However, please be assured we have suitable resources in school from the Red Box charity to support girls with puberty at any age and we can also help parents with these resources. Plus of course our school nursing team.
- We will not teach conception in Years 5 and 6, we will leave this to be part of the High School Science curriculum.

I hope this reassures all parents and carers and thank you for your feed-back.

INSET Days for 2021-22 (days when school is closed to children for staff training)

Please also note the following changes to Staff Training / Professional Development Days as follows:

- 1. Tuesday 1st September 2021 Safeguarding, Positive Behaviour and First Aid
- 2. Thursday 2nd September 2021 The Curriculum
- 3. <u>Friday 15th October 2021</u> Training on how to support children and families who have experienced, or experience traumatic events; i.e. bereavement (important given the Covid pandemic)
- 4. Friday 22nd October 2021 The Curriculum
- 5. Monday 8th November 2021 Read Write Inc phonics training for children's reading
- 6. Tuesday 4th January 2022 The Curriculum

Thank you all for your friendly welcome and support since I have joined our school.

Yours sincerely,

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Matthew Jordan

Associate Headteacher

