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Dear Parent / Carer

We believe that promoting the health and wellbeing of our students is an important part of a student's education. We do this through our Life curriculum which looks at many topics including all kinds of relationships, physical / emotional health and living in the wider world. The aim of this curriculum is to help our students make safe and informed decisions during their school years and beyond.

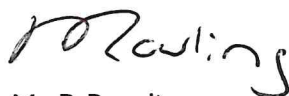
Sex and Relationship Education (SRE) is an important part of the Life curriculum which we will be teaching in the summer term. Topics will include puberty, relationships, communication skills, body image, sexting, social media and consent. During the course, students will be able to ask questions which will be answered factually and in an age appropriate manner. Each student's privacy will be respected, and no one will be asked to reveal personal information.

Some aspects of SRE are part of the National Curriculum for Science and therefore compulsory. Parents can withdraw their child from limited parts of SRE if they wish to do so. However, we believe it is important that all young people have a place to discuss pressures, check facts and dispel myths.

You may find that your child starts asking questions about the topic at home, or you might want to take the opportunity to talk to your child about issues before the work is covered in school.

If you have any questions please contact me at p.rowling@riverside.outwood.com. Should you wish to withdraw your child from limited parts of SRE lessons please contact the academy on 01642 549950 or via email at enquiries@riverside.outwood.com.

Yours sincerely



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