



Sandringham School

'Everybody can be Somebody'

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 7 Lifelong Learning – Sex and Relationships Education

The National Curriculum requires students aged 11 and over to study compulsory Sex and Relationship Education. Students in Year 7 at Sandringham School will be undertaking this study during their weekly Lifelong Learning sessions during the Spring term, this specific study will be commencing from the week beginning 14th January 2019.

Sex and relationship education (SRE) is compulsory from age 11 onwards. It involves teaching children about reproduction, sexuality and sexual health. It doesn't promote early sexual activity or any particular sexual orientation. Some parts of sex and relationship education are compulsory – these are part of the national curriculum for science (section 3 of the link below). Parents can withdraw their children from all other parts of sex and relationship education if they want to.

(<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/sex-and-relationship-education>)

Government guidelines do highlight that parents have the discretion to remove students from this section of education. Should you wish for your son/daughter to be removed from this section of study then please contact myself or their form tutor, we will then be able to provide alternative arrangements where necessary.

At Sandringham School we have worked within the National Curriculum guidelines to develop bespoke sessions which we believe will be most appropriate and relevant for our students. If you have any further enquiries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Hannah Semple
Performance Director: Year 7

