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Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Year 9 and 10 Sex and Relationships Education as part of PSCHE**

As part of the PSCHE (Personal, Social, Citizenship and Health Education) programme Year 9 and 10 students are about to begin units on Sex and Relationships Education.

Sex and Relationships Education (SRE) is a compulsory component of the national curriculum for all students in England 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 SRE are compulsory - these are part of the national curriculum for science. However, parents have the right to withdraw their child from all other parts of SRE if they choose to do so.

At Pittville School, the SRE programme has been devised using the Gloucestershire Healthy Living and Learning Team's Pink Curriculum and in partnership with the Gloucestershire PSCHE Lead Teacher. Our SRE policy is available on the school's website.

The topics which will be covered during these units are:

1. Healthy relationships
2. Sexual responsibility and safety
3. Contraception
4. Moral issues around sex and relationships
5. Pressures to be involved in adult relationships too early
6. Sexually transmitted diseases and infections

Should you wish for further details on any aspect of these programmes please refer to the school's SRE and PSCHE policies which are on the school's website or alternatively please contact Miss Iannone (Head of PSCHE) at the school.

Should you wish to withdraw your child from all, or any particular part, of the SRE programme taught within PSCHE can you please inform me of this in writing before the programme begins on 15th March 2017.

Yours faithfully

Mr A Poole  
Assistant Headteacher



