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Dear parent/carer,

You may have seen in the news recently that the Education Secretary, Gillian Keegan, has written to all schools in England, asking that parents have access to the materials that schools use to teach relationships, sex, and health education (RSHE) lessons.

RSHE lessons are an important part of the curriculum that help our students know how to be safe and healthy, both on and offline. The topics we cover are building blocks for an inclusive and respectful environment in school. The lessons also give students information that will allow them to make informed decisions about their wellbeing and relationships.

We wanted to reassure you that - although you may not be aware - you have always had the opportunity to view the materials used to teach these lessons should you wish. Our 'Curriculum Map' for our Character Curriculum is available on our website (<https://www.darwenvale.com/character-curriculum>). If you have any queries, please contact me via email at [freddie.redfern@darwenvale.com](mailto:freddie.redfern@darwenvale.com) and we'll be happy to answer any questions in relation to these RSHE sessions – we are always happy to listen and answer any questions you may have. If you would like to leave any feedback, please use the link or QR code below.

<https://forms.office.com/e/PFvg24Dzff>



As always, we're very grateful for your support and please do not hesitate to reach out if you'd like to discuss this further.



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