

BROOMWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am pleased to inform you that I am inviting you to a virtual workshop for you as parents and carers on **Thursday 15th June at 5pm**. The intention of the workshop is to provide you with a really clear insight into the content of our Growing and Changing curriculum for **years five and six**, which we will be teaching to the children in **July**. Under the Health curriculum, teaching the children about the changes that will happen to their bodies during puberty is now a statutory requirement, and whilst the content is only specifically for **year five and year six pupils**, we wanted to invite year four parents along too, in order for you to gain an understanding of what you may need to be prepared for over the next couple of years.

Under the Health curriculum, teaching the children about the changes that will happen to their bodies during puberty is now a statutory requirement. Each of these **statutory puberty objectives** are:

Year 5:

- To understand how your body will change as you approach and move through puberty.

Year 6:

- To understand how girl's and boy's bodies change during puberty (recap and build on year 5)

In order to support the children's emotional development and prepare them for adulthood, we are committed to our decision to teach a further, **non-statutory, age appropriate objective in year 6:**

- How a baby is made.

We have collaborated to design a bespoke curriculum for Broomwood, disregarding some of the growing and changing vocabulary and factual information that we believe to be too advanced for our children at this stage, whilst focusing on developing the children's understanding of the changes and experiences that are relevant to them. Guidance published from the Department of Education provides parents and carers with the right to withdraw their child from **sex education** that is taught as part of the relationships and health curriculum, but not as part of the science curriculum, therefore the additional, **year six lesson about how a baby is made can be withdrawn from**. We understand that it can be daunting for you to think of your child finding out about reproduction. In order to ease these concerns, we will take you through the content of all of the growing and changing lessons, step by step, during the online Zoom meeting. As our preference is that you do not withdraw your child from the year 6 lesson, we hope that the meeting will provide you with a clear insight so that you can make an informed choice and prepare you for any questions that may arise from your children as a result of their learning.

The link for the meeting will be sent out to you closer to the meeting. I look forward to seeing you there!

Mrs Cannon

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