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Dear Parents/Carers

Firstly, thank you to everyone who took the time to ask questions and make suggestions during the consultation period of the Personal Development Curriculum during the Summer Term.

You can find the information regarding the outcomes of the consultation and the FAQs on our website [here](#).

From the consultation and due to the way that we have changed our delivery of the Personal Development curriculum this academic year, taking account of the statutory requirements, we have updated our Relationships and Sex Education Policy, which can be viewed [here](#).

I would welcome any comments or feedback parents/carers may have on the policy. Please feel free to email me at: [sdyer@rodingvalley.net](mailto:sdyer@rodingvalley.net)

The Personal Development Curriculum is much more than Relationships and Sex Education. It includes our Character and Culture activities, Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural Education and Careers and Life Skills. Some of this is delivered in the 20 minute period 1 sessions, some of it through the 'floating' hour once a week and lots of it is through other subjects on the curriculum that provide great opportunities for students to develop their personal skills. We like to invite outside speakers and agencies in to support the curriculum. They might be the team from "Prison. Me? No way" for example, who recently spent the day with our year 9 students looking at risky behaviour or it could be a Road Safety Team teaching our year 11 students about the dangers of irresponsible driving. Just a couple of examples of some of the things we cover.

We also make sure that Careers information and guidance is shared with students from the very beginning of their time with us in year 7, right the way through to the end of year 13. Naturally we hope that students will be staying with us for their 7 year journey into Sixth Form, however we recognise that other pathways may be better suited to some students and ensure they all have access to the information and opportunities available to them throughout their time with us. You can see more about the careers information and guidance provision on our website [here](#).

We always welcome feedback from staff, governors, parents/carers and students alike and I look forward to hearing from you with any suggestions.

Yours faithfully

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Deputy Headteacher

