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## **Relationships & Sex Education (RSE) Parent Consultation Response**

May 2021

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## Introduction

The government has made changes to the RSE curriculum from Summer Term 2021. Like all schools, Bradford Girls' Grammar School has consulted with parents to obtain their views on the proposed curriculum. This related to both the senior phase of our school and the primary phase, Lady Royd Primary.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/relationships-education-relationships-and-sex-education-rseand-health-education>

## Consultation Process

Staff leading the consultation sessions:

Keeley Poole – Head of Lady Royd

Measha Harris – Senior Leader – Safeguarding

Karen Walker - PSHCE Co-Ordinator Primary Phase

Grace Webster - PSHCE Co-Ordinator Senior Phase

Parents were invited to attend a meeting at the school on 15th December 2020 in which the proposed policy, curriculum delivery schedule and frequently asked questions presentation were shared with parents and explained in detail. Six out of the eight registered parents attended the session, which was held at 9.30am. Initially two sessions were scheduled to run, however due to low numbers only the morning session ran.

Following the above meeting, from 17th December 2020 to 4th January 2021, the documents and presentation were available to view online on our school website. The school wrote to parents to inform them of this and invited them to share their views by emailing the dedicated consultation email address: [consultation@bggs.com](mailto:consultation@bggs.com).

The last consultation took place securely over Microsoft Teams on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 4.30pm which enabled any parents who worked during the day to attend and share feedback to the proposed schedule, where 14 out of 32 parents registered attended the session.

## Summary of Response

Consultation 1 – In school Parent/Carer Meeting

15th December 2020

- Attendees engaged well, asked questions and gave feedback when prompted.
- One Parent was worried that children would learn about sensitive topics too early.
- Another explained that they felt they may opt out and make it their responsibility to teach their children about LGBT and aspects of sex education.
- Some parents had concerns over personal experiences at other schools, where children had been exposed to inappropriate content/videos that were highly explicit and wanted assurances it would not happen at BGGs.

Consultation 2 – Online Consultation

17th December 2020 to 4th January 2021

Two parents responded to this consultation.

- One stated that they were happy with what was presented and wished for their child to take part in the curriculum.
- The other parent asked for more information and if there would be a second consultation so they can ask more in-depth questions.

Consultation 3 – Microsoft Teams Live Parent/Carer Meeting  
10<sup>th</sup> February 2021

- 14 out of 32 parents registered, attended the session.
- One parent queried whether the curriculum would include faiths perspective relationship and sex
- One parent was worried that school may be encouraging/ promoting secondary school pupil to have physical relationships.
- Parents would like to have an outline accessible to them, of what children would be taught, so this could be discussed at home in more detail if necessary.

**Developments since March 2021**

Policies have been updated and amended in light of consultations and have been forwarded to Governors for ratification. Once they have been ratified the approved policy will be published on the website.

From September, both phases will use Jigsaw to support the delivery of the PSHE/RSE curriculum – a whole school PSHE/Well-being curriculum which is progressive and includes the statutory RSE curriculum.

Primary phase staff have received training on this on 4.05.21 via the PSHE lead and have started to use this from Summer 1 delivering the ‘Celebrating Differences’. An overview of coverage for each year group was detailed in the Lady Royd Newsletter.

To support parents with this an online meeting is being offered on 24.05.21 for parents in years 5 and 6. During this meeting an overview of the content of the sessions will be shared, examples of sample lessons and resources will be shown and there will be an opportunity to ask questions.

RSE Proposal - Amendments

The curriculum map will make clear which elements of RSE may be covered in non-compulsory subjects. This will ensure parents are fully informed of where RSE is covered outside of the core RSE offer.

Bradford Girls’ Grammar School appreciates the time and effort Parent/Carers have taken to work with us in the delivery of this curriculum.

**Relationships, Sex and Education Consultation**