



Dobcroft Junior School

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Sex Education Lessons in Year 6

Throughout their time at Dobcroft Junior School, your child has been taught the aspects of sex education outlined in the primary science curriculum – this includes teaching about the main external parts of the human body, how it changes as it grows from birth to old age, including puberty, and the reproductive process in some plants and animals.

Our school is free to determine whether pupils should be taught sex education beyond what is required of the National Curriculum and, at our school, we have decided to teach pupils sex education beyond what is required of the science curriculum.

As sex education is not statutory at primary level (other than what must be taught as part of the science curriculum), parents have the right to request to withdraw their child from the sex education curriculum.

This curriculum will be covered in two lessons over the week starting Monday 22nd June. The coverage is laid out below.

- 1) Anatomy - External and internal genitalia
- 2) Mechanics of sexual reproduction (how the penis goes inside the vagina)
- 3) How sperm and ova combine to form an embryo
- 4) How an embryo grows into a baby, inside the uterus
- 5) Consent and the law

If you wish for your child to be withdrawn from these lessons, please ensure that you have contacted the school via teachers@dobcroft-jun.sheffield.sch.uk by Friday 17th June 2025. If you have previously expressed a preference about withdrawal from certain lessons, please reaffirm this request via email for these specific lessons.

If you wish to discuss our Personal Development policy or have further discussion about curriculum coverage, you can also contact Mrs Winters, one of our Personal Development leads, on the above email address.

Many thanks,

Year 6 Team

