



ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 26th May 2023

Dear Parents/Carer,

In the academic year 2020/21, Relationships Education and Health Education became compulsory in all primary schools in England. As you will know from our previous consultation and information sent, we were using a programme called Journey in Love to teach Relationships, Education & Health Education.

We review our curriculum regularly to ensure it provides the best outcomes for our children. On reviewing our RSHE curriculum, we have been researching various programmes that are available to enhance our curriculum and have decided to adopt a programme called 'Life to the Full' by Ten Ten Resources. Ten Ten is an award-winning Catholic educational organisation that is well-respected and very experienced in this field of work.

Life to the Full has been approved by our diocese. Furthermore, Ten Ten have entered into a partnership with the Catholic Education Service and the Department for Education to provide training for teachers in Catholic schools on the subject of the new statutory curriculum. Therefore, we are confident that this programme is a very good fit for our school.

As a Catholic school, our mission is to support the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of all of our pupils, rooted in the wisdom and teaching of the Church. The education of children in human sexuality is an important, precious and privileged responsibility. The Church teaches us that this is very much a partnership with parents, in which parents are the 'first educators' of their children on these matters; ultimately, you confer on us the right to co-educate your children with you.

Through their programme, Ten Ten understand the foundational role that parents have in educating and nurturing their children on these matters. Within the programme, they have built in resources which will not only keep you informed about what is being taught in school, but will also give you the opportunity to engage your children in discussion, activity and prayer.



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We would like to have your feedback on our approach, and particularly on the key decisions that we need to take regarding the teaching of certain topics. To this end, we have opened a consultation period, which will start on 26th May 2023 and end on Monday 19th June 2023, during which if you have any feedback please send them via email to - **office @sm.nor.olicatschools.org** and address them for the attention of **Mrs. J. Blincow**.

Ten Ten have provided an online Parent Consultation Tool. This is a simple-to-follow, short online course which:

- Outlines the statutory changes that will take place.
- Articulates a vision for Catholic Relationships and Health Education.
- Explains how Life to the Full aims to help us fulfil the statutory curriculum with a Catholic ethos.
- Provides some information about key decisions we need to make, in consultation with parents.
- Answers some Frequently Asked Questions.

Ten Ten have also provided an Online Parent Portal which will be a tool we can use throughout the year to keep you informed and updated about the work we are doing in school. To take part in the consultation, please do the following:

- Access the Parent Consultation Tool here:
www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-consultation-primary
- You will need the following login credentials for our school:

Username: st-marys-nn5

Password: picture-perfect

- Undertake the Parent Consultation course provided.

We hope that our approach not only assures you about the programme we are going to undertake; we hope that this will be an important and exciting opportunity for our entire school community.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. J. Blincow

Head of School



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