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Dear Parents and Carers,

As you may be aware, in the academic year 2020/21, Relationships Education and Health Education became statutory in all primary schools in England.

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.

At St. Joseph's, we deliver Relationships and Health Education through the **Life to the Full** programme by Ten Ten Resources. This programme has been approved by our diocese and Ten Ten is an award-winning Catholic educational organisation that is well-respected and very experienced in this field of work.

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.

As part of our ongoing commitment to seek parents' views and keep you informed, we periodically consult parents on this topic. We would like to have your feedback on our approach. To this end, we have opened a consultation period during which we welcome your feedback.

Ten Ten provide 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.

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-joseph-dh9

Password: wood-9

- Undertake the Parent Consultation course provided.
- Complete the following questionnaire: https://forms.office.com/e/M8S3TMWkfe
- Send us your feedback by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024

We hope that our approach assures you about the subject and that you are able to participate in this an important opportunity for you to be a voice within our school community.

Kind regards,

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