

Dear Parents and Carers

Here at TFS, we are delighted to welcome back our scholars as they continue their in-school education, despite the hardships faced by all during these challenging times.

As trained practitioners who deliver the PSHE and Citizenship curriculum, we wanted to outline to all parents and carers some of the new, but essential topics Year 9 will encounter this year, all of which we have identified as vital to their personal development and learning.

In Term 2, scholars will be taught a unit about relationships. Informed by government guidelines and tailored to the scholars' specific needs for their age and location, the unit will cover a wide range of topics that will deliver the crucial information they will need as they navigate their way towards adulthood.

Whilst some topics will be covered in more detail than others, the unit will cover:

- Abuse
- Consent
- Contraception
- Pregnancy
- Pornography
- Sexual Assault
- STIs
- Termination (abortion)

All lessons will be delivered with care and sensitivity. If you have any queries regarding this course or should you require any additional information, please send your enquiry to tfsadmin@turnerschools.com. A member of our department will reply to you as quickly as possible.

The following direct links provide help, resources and advice if you are in need of some guidance of how to approach discussions surrounding romantic relationships with the child in your care:

<https://www.healthline.com/health/parenting/ultimate-guide-to-sex-talk>

https://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/protective/factsheets/talking_teens.htm

<https://www.mayoclinic.org/healthy-lifestyle/sexual-health/in-depth/sex-education/art-20044034>

Yours faithfully,

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