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Principal John Byers

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Dear Whānau of Year 6 Girls and Year 7 & 8 Students,

Over the next two weeks we will be covering Sexuality Education as a part of the New Zealand Curriculum. It is a requirement that it be taught as part of the Health and Physical Education learning area from Years 1 – 10.

In Health Education students develop competencies for health and positive sexuality, build resilience, learn to demonstrate empathy, and develop skills that enhance personal relationships.

In the later years of primary school they may learn about:

- Puberty and human reproduction
- body development and image including hygiene and healthy eating.
- different types of relationships
- risks and issues that can arise online and when using social media including cyber safety.

You are welcome to contact us to view a more comprehensive breakdown of any of the topics. We will also be using a technique called the question box, which gives the students an opportunity to ask any question they wish anonymously, and have them answered in an appropriate manner.

Sexuality Education is a valuable part of a child's learning, so we hope all children in Year 7& 8 and the Year 6 girls will be present for this programme. However, if you do not wish your child to participate in any of the topics listed above please send a written note or email to Di Meyler Deputy Principal, before the programme starts. Whilst we will cover some Hygiene and Healthy eating on Tuesday 7 June the Sexuality part of the programme will not start until Wednesday 8th June.

We look forward to working with the students through this programme and hope that you take the opportunity to have many interesting discussions at home regarding the content of the programme your child/children will be taught in the coming weeks.

Ngā mihi nui

Di Meyler
Deputy Principal
On behalf of Team Ruru