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Dear Parent/carer,

RE: Growing & Changing education at Temple Primary School.

Government guidelines outline that, at Year 6, it is compulsory for all schools to provide an education programme that teaches children about how they change and develop as they grow older.

At Temple, we believe that it is important to provide our pupils with a thorough and well balanced curriculum, including age-appropriate information about growth and change (which includes safe relationships).

The details of what will be taught to the various year groups is detailed in the school's Growth & Change policy, which can be found on our school website:

www.temple.manchester.sch.uk, or requested in hard copy via the school office. There will also be a meeting for parents next **Monday 16th October at 2:00pm** where you will be given more information about the lessons taught.

Though schools must provide an education which covers aspects of growing & changing for all pupils up until the age of 19, only the aspects of the Science National Curriculum are compulsory for pupils to learn. Therefore, as parents/carers, you are entitled to request that your child be removed from lessons which involve discussions about how our bodies develop and how our emotions change.

Such requests should be submitted to the Headteacher, who will discuss this with you and your child's teacher and determine an appropriate substitute for missed learning. In most instances, children will be provided with a self-directed reading task or other activity which they can complete under the supervision of an adult.

If you have any concerns or queries about your child's participation in these lesson, please do not hesitate to contact either myself or your child's class teacher to discuss these.

Yours Sincerely,

S. Talib

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Headteacher