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Dear Parents/Carers,

After the success of last year we are delighted to let you know that our school is continuing to use the Relationship Education programme for Catholic primary schools, titled **Life to the Full**. You may hear your child coming home talking about this and we want to give you a brief recap of this new and ambitious programme.

As you may be aware, Relationship Education initially became statutory for all primary schools from September 2020, however this has been extended to September 2021 due to COVID circumstances. The **Life to the Full** programme is based on 'A Model Catholic RSE Curriculum' by the Catholic Education Service which was highlighted as a work of good practice by the Department of Education. Therefore, we have confidence that the programme will be fit for purpose in supporting the growth and development of your child.

Life to the Full is much more than a series of lessons. It is an entire platform of creative resources that will engage, inform and inspire our children and, indeed, you as parents. This includes interactive video content, story-based activities, employing a wide range of teaching tools, original worship music and an accompanying programme of classroom prayers.

In addition there will be an online parent platform so that you, as parent and carers, can engage with the teaching and deepen the experience for your child. To access the online parent platform please visit: www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-portal

School Username: [st-joes-bury](#)
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Programme Structure

In Life to the Full, we will be following a three-stage structure which is repeated across the four different learning stages (EYFS, KS1, LKS2 and UKS2).

Programme Content

Within each learning stage, there are three modules which are based on the Model Catholic RSE Curriculum (Created and Loved by God, created to Love Others and Created to Live in Community).

Life to the Full is intended to be a partnership between home, school and church. We know that you already do a fantastic job preparing your child for different relationships in the future and we see our new programme, Life to the Full, as a means to further develop, support and enrich the partnership between home, school and church so that your child is fully supported.

Within this programme there are key decisions that as a school and Governing Body we need to make in the best interests of the children. These are the decisions that have been made:

KS1: When teaching RSE, staff will use the correct names for male and female genitals and encourage children to do the same.

Year 4 onwards: What changes will happen to boys and girls during puberty.

Year 6: All pupils will learn how a baby grows and develops in its mother's womb. A decision has been made to include optional modules on Sex Education. Prior to these sessions, all parents will be contacted and given the opportunity to withdraw their child/children from these sessions. In these sessions, pupils will learn: basic scientific facts about sexual intercourse between a man and woman; the physical, emotional, moral and spiritual implications of sexual intercourse and the Christian viewpoint that sexual intercourse should be saved for marriage.

Please log on to the Parent Portal above where you will find lots of information about each individual session. After you have accessed this, if you would like to withdraw your child from the **Key Decision** sessions then please inform school before 11th April 2022.

If you have any questions at all please don't hesitate to contact me via the school office email.

Kind regards,
Mrs Moncado (Head Teacher)