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If you would like to know more about what your child will be learning you can find it by following this link:

 <https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/781150/Draft_guidance_Relationships_Education__Relationships_and_Sex_Education__RSE__and_Health_Education2.pdf>

Teaching Expectations for Relationship Education from page 19

Teaching Expectations for Health Education from page 31

A copy of the Draft Policy and Year group timetable can be found on the school VLE.

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