

14 Feb 2022

2022-050

Dear Parents and Guardians,

MOE SEXUALITY EDUCATION

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2. The goals of Sexuality Education are:

- (i) To help students make wise, responsible and informed decisions through the provision of accurate, current and age-appropriate knowledge on human sexuality and the consequences of sexual activity;
- (ii) To help students know themselves and build healthy and rewarding relationships through the acquisition of social and emotional skills of self-awareness, management of their thoughts, feelings and behaviours, development of empathy for others, possession of effective communication, problem-solving and decision-making skills; and
- (iii) To help students develop a moral compass, respect for themselves and for others as sexual beings, premised on the family as the basic unit of society, through the inculcation of positive mainstream values and attitudes about sexuality.

3. The key messages of Sexuality Education are:

- (i) Love and respect yourself as you love and respect others;

- (ii) Build positive relationships based on love and respect (which are the foundation for strong families);
 - (iii) Make responsible decisions for yourself, your family and society; and
 - (iv) Abstinence before marriage is the best protection against STIs/HIV and unintended pregnancies. Casual sex can harm and hurt you and your loved ones.
4. Please visit the school's website
(<https://cantonmentpri.moe.edu.sg/department/cce/sexuality-education>) for more information on Cantonment Primary School's Sexuality Education Programme for 2022.
5. Please click the acknowledgement button to indicate you have read the letter by 22 February. No further action is required if you consent to your child/ward's participation. If you would like to withdraw your child/ward, please submit the opt out form in the link below after clicking the acknowledgement button by 22 February.
6. Thank you.

Yours faithfully,



Mrs Manokara
Principal
Cantonment Primary School

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[Acknowledgement of Letter (For all parents)]

Dear Mrs Manokara

I acknowledge receipt of letter from the school dated on 14/02/2022 regarding the school's sexuality education programme that will be taught in 2022. I have read and understood the information provided on the content coverage and delivery of the programme.

Parent's Name & Signature

Date

Parent of: _____ ()
(Child's Name)

Class

Parent Opt-out Form – This section is applicable only if parents wish to opt their child out of The Sexuality Education programme.]

Date: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Parent of (Child's name): _____

Name of Principal Mrs Manokara

Name of School Cantonment Primary School

Dear Principal

SEXUALITY EDUCATION PROGRAMME FOR YEAR 2022

1. I would like to withdraw my child, _____, of
(full name of child)

_____ from the *Sexuality Education* programme for 2022.
(class of child)

2. My reason(s) for my decision to opt my child out of the programme:

- ☐ Religious reasons
- ☐ My child is too young.
- ☐ I would like to personally educate my child on sexuality matters.
- ☐ I do not think it is important for my child to attend Sexuality Education lessons.
- ☐ I have previously taught my child the topics in the SEd Programme for this year.
- ☐ I am not comfortable with the topics covered in the SEd Programme for this year.
- ☐ Others: _____

3. Thank you. _____

Parent Signature

