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School Vision: Joyful Learners, Responsible Citizens and Creative Leaders in a Connected Community

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Dear Parents/ Guardians

#### MOE SEXUALITY EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS - THE GROWING YEARS PROGRAMME

Sexuality Education (SEd) in schools is about enabling students to understand the physiological, social and emotional changes they experience as they mature, develop healthy and rewarding relationships including those with members of the opposite sex, and make wise, informed and responsible decisions on sexuality matters. SEd is premised on the importance of the family as the basic unit of society. This means encouraging healthy, heterosexual marriages and stable nuclear family units with extended family support. The teaching and learning of SEd is based on respect for the values and beliefs of the different ethnic and religious communities in Singapore on sexuality issues.

- 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.
- 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 Sexuality Education webpage (https://cedarpri.moe.edu.sg/departments/character-and-citizenship-education/moe-sexuality-education) for more information on Cedar Primary School's Sexuality Education Programme for 2022.
- 5. Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Chua Choon Hock

Principal

## **Growing Years Programme Topics covered in Primary 5**

UNIT	LESSONS	Lesson Objectives		
		At the end of the lesson, pupils will be able to:		
Gosh! I Am Changing	What Is Happening To Me?	- know what puberty is - identify the physical changes during puberty		
	What Can I Do? (Part 1)	<ul> <li>identify the stresses caused by physical and emotional changes during puberty describe healthy ways to manage the stresses caused by physical and emotional changes during puberty</li> <li>describe the emotions caused by physical changes during puberty</li> <li>recognise that one's identity does not change even when one's body is experiencing change due to puberty</li> </ul>		
	What Can I Do? (Part 2)	<ul> <li>identify the stresses caused by physical and emotional changes during puberty</li> <li>describe healthy ways to manage the stresses caused by these physical and emotional changes during puberty</li> <li>describe the emotions caused by physical changes during puberty</li> <li>recognise that one's identity does not change even when one's body is experiencing change due to puberty</li> </ul>		
Where I Belong	What Are Families?	<ul> <li>know that there are different types of family structures</li> <li>know that every family is unique</li> <li>state that the three basic functions of families are to provide love, protection and guidance</li> <li>identify the right sources of help to turn to when in need</li> </ul>		
	What is My	- know that gender is about being male or female		
	Role?	- choose not to stereotype by gender		
How Do I Keep Myself Safe?	What is Safety?	<ul> <li>know what sexual abuse is</li> <li>know that there are laws in Singapore that can protect them from sexual abuse</li> <li>know their rights in keeping themselves safe from sexual abuse</li> </ul>		
	Stop It! Run! Tell!	<ul> <li>protect themselves by resisting, removing themselves from harm and seeking help from a trusted adult</li> <li>know their responsibilities in minimising the risk of sexual harm</li> </ul>		

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Dear Mr Chua Choon Hock	

### THE GROWING YEARS PROGRAMME FOR YEAR 2022

I acknowledge receipt of letter from the school dated on 07/02/22 regarding the school's sexuality education, The *Growing Years* 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	
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	(Child's Name)	Class	

# [Parent Opt-out Form –This section is applicable <u>only</u> if parents wish to opt their child out of the Growing Years Programme.]

Date:		_				
Paren	t's Name:					
Paren	t of (Child's nan	ne):				
Name	of Principal	Mr Chua Choo	n Hock			
Name	of School	Cedar Primary	School			
Dear I	Principal					
THE G	ROWING YEAR	S PROGRAMME F	OR YEAR 2022			
1.		o withdraw my ch wing Years progra		(full name of	child)	_, of (class of child)
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	Others:				r	
3.	Thank you.					
Parent	t's Name & Sign	ature	Contact No. (	(mobile)	Email address (	(optional)

