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**Information:** X

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**Action Required:** X

**Ref:** DCM 205/2015

**To:** All Heads of State Primary Schools and Sections

**From:** Stephen Camilleri and Dunstan Hamilton –  
Education Officers, Personal, Social and Career Development (PSCD)

**Subject:** Meeting for parents of children in Primary Schools

During PSCD lessons, adolescence and sexual health issues are tackled with the different year groups. The 'Guidelines on Sexuality and Relationships Education' in Maltese Schools issued by the Ministry for Education and Employment acknowledges the fact that parents and caregivers have a profound influence on their child's healthy development and that they have a right to information about such delicate topics.

Under your guidance, the peripatetic PSCD Teachers are therefore being asked to organize parents' meetings as has been done in previous years.

Ideally these sessions should be distributed during the year so as to minimize disruptions. Hereunder is a suggested timetable:

<i>Year 3 and 4 Early October</i>	<i>Year 5 Second term</i>	<i>Year 6 Third term</i>
<p>Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Introduction to PSCD</li><li>- Development of topics – emphasis is made on growing up issues</li><li>- Development stage of students – re growing up</li><li>- Parent's responsibility</li></ul>	<p>Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Development stage of students – re. growing up</li><li>- Myths re: SRE</li><li>- Information / Skills / Values tackled and Resources used</li><li>- Responsibility of parents</li></ul>	<p>Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Development stage of students – re: growing up</li><li>- Challenges and different ways of answering questions put forth by the children re: growing up</li><li>- Responsibility of parents</li></ul>

Thank you for your cooperation.

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