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### Period Poverty - Period Product Scheme for Schools and Colleges in England

Dear Parents/ Legal Guardians,

We are really pleased to be a part of the Department for Education's "Period Product Scheme for Schools".

'No-one should be held back from accessing education due to their period. Last year we (DFE) introduced the period product scheme to provide free period products for all learners who need them. This scheme will continue into 2021.

This means learners at all state-maintained schools and 16 to 19 education organisations in England will continue to have access to free period products in their place of study'.

The programme enables us to have a supply of period products in school which can be used if they are needed. All staff are aware of this scheme and can be discretely approached to ensure any of our young people are provided with products in a sensitive and supportive manner.

Every year, our Year 5 children have a talk about Puberty as part of our PSHE/ RHSE curriculum. The content is quite simple and follows the PSHE/ RHE planning that is on the school website and is extremely age appropriate. I will cover the session with the girls and Mr Charlton will cover the session with the boys, and we intend to do this before the end of summer term.

If you have any queries or comments please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

Belinda Athey – Headteacher.

Headteacher: Mrs Belinda Athey









