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**Re: Year R-2 Human Sexuality Program  
Made in the Image of God Sexuality and Respectful Relationships (MITIOG)**

Dear Families

At Caritas College students from R - 12 participate in the Made in the Image of God Sexuality and Respectful Relationships curriculum, designed for SA Catholic Schools. This program is grounded in a Catholic understanding of the human person and is presented in four threads: Relationships, Identity, Human Development, and Reproduction and Reproductive Health.

During Term 4 your child will be participating in the Human Sexuality component of the curriculum.

The unit will be taught as part of the Religious Education Curriculum and students in R-2 will have the opportunity to explore and develop:

- Familiarity with the story of their birth and welcome into their family and Church family
- A sense of awe and wonder for the gift of new life
- An understanding that love and life are nurtured within the family unit as part of God's plan for creation
- Ways of thanking God for the gift of new life
- An appreciation of the dignity of the human person while developing an understanding of the differences between girls and boys
- An awareness that family structures take many forms
- An ability to use correct terminology to name parts of the body
- An appreciation of the body as a special gift.

The Made in the Image of God Curriculum has been developed by the Catholic Education Office to provide students in Reception to Year 12 with the information necessary to make informed, healthy lifestyle decisions.

If you have any queries about the program and wish to discuss your child's involvement, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Chloe Shanahan or your child's class teacher on 86489700.

Thanking you for your support.

Yours sincerely



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