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Dear Parent / Carer,

As part of our Science lessons over the Summer Term, the children will be studying the topic 'Animals including Humans'. The focus in Year 5 is to describe the changes as humans develop to old age. Throughout our science lessons, we will be exploring the following questions:

- What is a lifecycle?
- What are the different stages of the human lifecycle?
- What is a foetus? How does a foetus develop inside the womb?
- What is gestation? Is it the same for all animals?
- What is puberty? What happens to my body during this time? Why?
- What will life be like when I am older? What happens during old age? Why?

In addition to this, in our 'Personal, Social and Relationships lessons', we will again be exploring the changes that occur during puberty, why they occur and how to deal with them.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that this work will begin in the next week or two. You may find your child starts asking questions about the topic at home, or you might want to take the opportunity to talk to your child about issues such as those above (puberty and the emotional changes that they may experience). The children will also have the chance to post their own questions anonymously in a box at school that they wish to be answered in the lessons. If we decide a question is beyond what we teach in school, we will refer it to home to be answered. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate in contacting me at school.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs Millins

Year 5 Class Teacher