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Dear Parents/Carers

HEALTH RELATED BEHAVIOUR SURVEY 2024

Our school, along with many others across the City, has agreed to participate in a very important Health Behaviour Survey amongst children and young people. We have been asked to take part in order to support the work of the Local Authority and Public Health Team and we also stand to benefit through our participation in the survey by obtaining opinions from our pupils so we can improve our learning provision for them.

Previously, the survey data in schools has also been used in a variety of ways to keep children safe, including:

1. As a starting point for discussion in classroom activities or lessons.
2. To improve work on the health and well-being of pupils.
3. To support the development of professionals and schools.
4. As a beginning for further enquiry to strengthen existing programmes or curriculum, e.g. PE and PSHE
5. To help schools track their progress and improve learning by targeting areas of specific need

The survey method that we are using has been developed by the Schools Health Education Unit, Exeter and has been in use now for over 40 years. Over 3000 schools across the country have taken part, many of them regularly repeating the survey.

The age appropriate questions concern a wide range of health behaviours, for example:

Home and family	Relationships, emotional health and well-being,
Tobacco, Alcohol,	Leisure and money
Healthy Eating	Exercise
Drugs	

The Local Authority and Public Health Team will also have a reliable database upon which it can objectively plan provision for children and young people.

Both the Local Authority and the school find the content of the questionnaire acceptable; it has been customised to suit our local setting in Wolverhampton for Primary Schools.

Each questionnaire is anonymous and confidential, and no pupil will be identified when the data is returned to our school. The Local Authority and Public Health Team will not use data to identify individual pupils or individual schools in its wider reporting.

The survey will be carried out before half term, between Tuesday 30th January and Friday 9th February.

I hope you will agree with us that this is an exercise in which we wish to co-operate fully and will be of real benefit in helping to shape provision for our pupils.

If you have any queries regarding the survey then please contact the school office where a copy is held for you to have a look at should you wish.

Mrs Grayson