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Dear Parents / Carers,

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, we would like to offer children the opportunity to take part in the Children's Commissioner for England's 'Big Ask' survey. So that children, particularly younger ones, can have the one-to-one adult support in reading the questions on the survey and taking part, we have shared the survey link on their Seesaw account for them to take part at home. The link and a brief introduction for the children is in the 'School Announcements' area of your child's Seesaw account and each class teacher has shown an [introduction video](#) to the children in class this week. The survey is child friendly and should only take 5 – 10 minutes.

We hope that in doing it this way, as well as children having the time and support to consider their own thoughts and capture this in their responses, it also gives you as parents the opportunity to discuss with your child how they are feeling. We know that we have all been through strange and sometimes challenging times recently and often talking about our feelings and emotions can help.

Our PSHE curriculum in school continues to give pupils a chance to learn about their developing personal and social skills and we always encourage the children to talk to us about how they are feeling and to come to us with any worries or concerns.

Thank you for your support in helping your child take part in the survey. The following is further information about the survey, including key Frequently Asked Questions relating to anonymity on the next page.

Kind regards,

Mrs Ferguson
Headteacher

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Get your child's voice heard and make a difference

The Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, is launching a once-in-a-generation review of children's lives.

It's called 'The Childhood Commission' and it will identify the barriers preventing children reaching their full potential and propose policy solutions to address them.

At its heart is 'The Big Ask' – the largest ever consultation held with children.

In this survey the Children's Commissioner is asking children and young people what they think is important for their future and what is holding young people back. The Children's Commissioner will use what children and young people tell her to show the Government what they think and what they need to live happier lives.

It's an exciting opportunity to help us think big and it's a chance for every child in England to have their voice heard.

Information from the BIG Ask FAQs:

Will the survey be anonymous?

Yes. The survey does not ask respondents to submit any directly identifiable information such as their name. The data will be kept confidential by the CCO. View our full [Data Protection Impact Assessment](#).

Why are you asking for my postcode?

We need to know what area you live in so that we can see if children who live in different parts of the country have different views, and so that we can look at the results for a specific town or local area.

We will only use your postcode to find out what local area you live in, and then we will delete the postcode information. We won't use this information to identify or track you.

Why are we asking for the name of the school the child attends?

We are asking for school for two main reasons:

1. As this is an online 'opt-in' survey, we know that some groups are more likely to fill in our survey than others. The research conducted by ImpactEd and SchoolDash with schools last year showed that school characteristics were useful for understanding where responses may have been lower for certain groups. So, we will look at the school characteristics as well as the characteristics of the respondent to understand where the survey has good coverage.
2. We want to understand the relationship between the high-level school characteristics such as the type of school, the percentage of children in receipt of free school meals and the local authority the school is in and the opinions and experiences of the young people who respond to our survey. This will help us to make informed recommendations where additional, targeted support may be required.

We won't publish or release any data at the school-level or identify any schools in any of our publications.

What will happen to the data in the survey after you've finished your report?

Data is retained by CCO for two years at which point it is securely deleted unless there is a compelling reason to keep it, for example, if new research which was in the public interest could be carried out using the data.