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Dear Parent/Carer

'Right On' Children and Young People Survey 2023

Our school, along with more than 100 other education settings in Cornwall, has signed up to participate in an important survey amongst children and young people.

The survey enables children and young people across Cornwall to share their feelings and experiences of life and will cover the following topics: About Me; My Health; My School Life; My Feelings; My Time Online; Where I Live, My Home & Community and My Future.

Every school or college that takes part will receive a report summarising the behaviours and perceptions of their pupils, benchmarked against the wider county picture. This provides the school and Cornwall Council with important information about the lived experience, health and wellbeing of pupils, which can then be used to:

- Provide an indication of school culture, belonging and the context in which pupils are living, empowering schools to better meet the needs of pupils.
- Inform a whole school approach to wellbeing and help planning PSHCE and pastoral provision.
- Help Cornwall Council identify where there are gaps in services and provision for children and young people.

The survey method has been developed by the Schools Health Education Unit (SHEU) and has been in use for over 40 years. Over 3,000 schools have used the survey, many of them regularly repeating the survey annually or biennially. Schools in Cornwall last took part in 2019.

All answers provided by pupils will be **confidential and anonymous** – pupils will not be asked to provide their name. SHEU will collect and process survey data in line with GDPR and will not identify individuals in any outputs produced. Cornwall Council has worked with SHEU and professionals to ensure the content is relevant and appropriate.

A short film has been made by young people in Cornwall to explain what the survey is about. This will be shown to children and young people taking the survey. Everyone taking the survey can choose to miss out questions or stop the survey if they want to. Where appropriate, support will be offered to pupils to



complete the survey. If any of the pupils have questions or worries during or after the survey, staff including the pastoral team will be available for support.

There is a copy of the survey in the school reception. If you would like to have a look at it, please call to make an appointment to do so.

The survey will be carried out in school at some point between 14 and 23 March 2023. It would be helpful if your child knows, or has with them, their postcode (this will be used solely to analyse results by geographical area - your home will not be identified).

If you would **not** like your child to participate in this survey, or you have any questions, please contact Mrs Reynolds at <u>jreynolds@looeca.net</u> by 10 March 2023.

Yours faithfully

Mr Scott Yalden Headteacher

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Privacy Notice – school surveys

1. Who are you?

We are a research unit in South-West England. We have been asked by the school or the Council to help collect information from young people. <u>www.sheu.org.uk</u>

2. What will I be asked?

You will be asked about your habits and feelings, and other important things about you.

You will not be asked for your name or address, and please don't tell us!





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3. Why do you want to know this?

The reports are used to plan lessons and services for young people, and to see what has changed since the last survey.

The school will see if your lessons fit in with what you and other young people tell us. We want to be sure what we are doing is right.

4. How will you use my information?

We will send reports to schools and the Council, showing them how many pupils gave different answers. The reports might say things like:

• 30% of pupils in this school had cereal for breakfast, but in the whole County the figure was 40%



5. How will you collect this information?

We are going to ask you questions in a questionnaire, on a website or in a printed booklet.

6. How do you keep this information?

Your answers will be kept safe on our computers. We keep records for many years, so that we can see how young people's lives are changing.



7. Are you allowed to do this? ('legal basis for processing')

The Council is allowed to collect information to help it plan and monitor things it does to support young people's education, health and wellbeing – the sorts of things it has to do ('legal functions' and 'public interest').

SHEU is allowed to use information to produce its reports as long as no-one can tell what answers you gave ('legitimate interests').

8. Who gets to see the information?

9. What's next?

Only staff from SHEU and from the Council who need to see the information to do their job are allowed to see your answers. They won't show your answers to anyone else. Everyone else sees only percentages. No-one in your school sees your answers.

BUT if you tell us something that makes us think you are in danger, we will have to tell your school that someone has said it, even if we can't find out who you are.





If you agree with all this, please tick the box at the start of the survey. If not, don't take part.

You can leave out any questions you don't want to answer, and you can stop at any time.



