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Dear Parents and Carers

2012 - EVERY CHILD MATTERS- HEALTH RELATED BEHAVIOUR SURVEY

Our school, along with the majority of North Yorkshire schools, has agreed to participate in the 2012 Every Child Matters - Health Behaviour Survey for young people. Information gained from individual school and county level analysis of this survey provides knowledge and understanding about the lifestyles and learning of children and young people and influences school, county and locality planning and evaluation of provision.

The survey data in schools is able to inform the review of provision in schools and school improvement priorities and has been used well by schools, for example:-

- To gain feedback from pupils about the ethos and culture of the school
- To gain feedback from pupils about the enjoyment of lessons and the usefulness of key aspects of the curriculum related to wellbeing
- To identify staff training needs
- To provide information to inform review of a range of school policies
- To identify the needs of different groups of pupils and further develop provision to meet those needs
- To inform discussions with parents

The survey that we are using has been commissioned by the North Yorkshire Children and Young People's Service from the Schools Health Education Unit, Exeter and has been in use in North Yorkshire schools on a biennial basis since 2006.

The questions concern a wide range of perceptions and behaviours related to learning and wellbeing, for example:

Enjoyment of lessons, Attitudes and resilience for learning, Transition, Relationships, Emotional health and well-being including bullying, Tobacco, Alcohol, Money, Healthy Eating, Physical activity, Drugs, Sexual health.

The North Yorkshire Children and Young People's Service has worked closely with the Schools Health Education Unit to ensure that the content of the questionnaires is appropriate, with bespoke questionnaires for primary, secondary and special schools.

Each questionnaire is anonymous and confidential, and no pupil will be identified when the data is returned to your school. Individual schools are not identified in any of the county reports.

I hope you will agree with us that this is an activity in which we wish to co-operate fully. I will assume you do consent to your child participating in the



survey unless I hear otherwise and I look forward to working with you in planning improved provision for our pupils. We hold a copy of the questionnaire in the school office, and if you would like to read it, you are welcome to do so by appointment.

The survey is likely to be carried out in the latter half of May.

Yours sincerely

Mr R A Hewitt
Headteacher