



Lydgate Junior School

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Dear Parents / Carers,

We are pleased to let you know that our school will be collaborating with The University of Sheffield and Nottingham Trent University on a research project called [FORTITUDE](#) which aims to improve children's legal knowledge, skills and confidence.

As part of their work, the research team is developing a questionnaire to assess how confident children and young people feel to speak up if they face difficult situations.

The questionnaire is linked to the [UN Convention on the Rights of the Child](#) and evaluates children on five areas: Self-efficacy, collective efficacy, satisfaction of the need for autonomy, satisfaction of the need for relatedness, and satisfaction of the need for competence. Further information and FAQs are available at <https://sites.google.com/sheffield.ac.uk/fortitude/crcq>

Over the next few weeks, we will be asking each child in Years 6 to complete the questionnaire as part of their learning activities in school. They will be supported to do this by school staff.

The anonymous responses children give to the questionnaire will be analysed by the research team to assess which of the questions are effective, and which need to be removed or changed in the final version. The research team may also include this information in research publications, and make it available to other researchers.

Your child's name will NOT be included in the questionnaire, and it will not be possible for the researchers to identify your child from the answers they provide, so we hope you will be happy for your child to take part.

However, if you DO NOT want your child to take part, please contact your child's class teacher by **Friday 10th November 2023**.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Your sincerely,

Mrs Holden

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