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Dear Parent/Carer

Pupil wellbeing remains a top priority for Somerset schools in this present time. In partnership with local schools, Somerset County Council is committed to ensuring that all Somerset children have the opportunity to be seen, valued, and heard and able to share their views and experiences in relation to their own health and wellbeing in and out of school.

For the past 8 years Somerset County Council has carried out a local pupil wellbeing survey. It is the largest survey of its kind with over 10, 000 children taking part biannually.

Your school has agreed for all Year 6 and Year 7 pupils to participate in this year's survey which will inform the work of the improving pupil wellbeing for your school and supporting the work of the Local Authority to improve services for children and families. Within the school the results may be used to inform planning and further strengthen the existing curriculum across all subjects.

The questions concern a wide range of health and wellbeing behaviours, for example:

Home and family	Relationships
Tobacco, alcohol and drugs	Safety
Healthy eating and exercise	School Experience
Emotional Health and Wellbeing	COVID19 Lockdown experience

Each questionnaire is anonymous and confidential, and questions are age appropriate. No pupil will be identified when the data is returned to school. The Local Authority will receive the anonymised school data to analyse on behalf of your school. Your school will receive their own individual report and again all results will be anonymous and confidential. Data Protection is covered in the Privacy Notice for pupils and this can be obtained upon request.

Should you have any questions about the survey, please contact Miss Howell for further information.

Yours sincerely

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