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Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to inform you that in September 2021, our school will be taking part in a ground-breaking new initiative which seeks to understand and promote wellbeing in young people. called "BeeWell".

The programme is open to all high schools across Greater Manchester and will be facilitated by the Anna Freud Centre and the University of Manchester. The school has worked alongside both of these organisations over the past two years whilst contributing to England's largest research trial of school-based mental health interventions.

**So what does this mean?** In summary, two year groups (Y7 and Y9) have been selected to take part in the initiative and students from both of these year groups will complete a survey about their wellbeing once a year. Student responses are anonymised and the school is given general feedback about the cohort which will allow us to examine if we could do more to support students with issues such as stress, anxiety or emotional regulation. This feedback will enable us to compare our results to other schools in Greater Manchester and will highlight how Greater Manchester can best respond to the needs of young people. Just to emphasise, no specific reference will ever be made to your son/daughter within the report, the data produced will be anonymised by the University of Manchester when the survey takes place.

I have enclosed a copy of the '**Parent and Carers Information Sheet**' provided by the University of Manchester and the Anna Freud Centre, which will hopefully answer any questions that you may have about the initiative. This document also highlights where you can find further information if you require it.

I trust that all of the enclosed information will answer any queries; however, please do feel free to contact me at school if you require any further details.

Yours faithfully



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