



5th January 2023

Dear parent / carer,

The Wellbeing Award for Schools (WAS)

At **The Academy of St Francis of Assisi** we are passionate about our pupils' mental health and supporting every child to thrive at school. We are working towards achieving the Wellbeing Award for Schools and will be launching our Wellbeing Podcast and Mental Health Policy during Children's Mental Health Awareness Week, 6-11th February.

In order to make sure that we improve the support we offer, we want to understand how well we are currently supporting the emotional wellbeing of our pupils. For this reason, we are inviting parents and pupils at our school to complete an anonymous survey.

What we need parents/carers to do

Please complete this short survey, about how well the school currently supports mental health: [Parental Evaluation of Wellbeing at St Francis of Assisi](#)

Why we are writing to parents/carers

We are also asking for your permission to invite your child to complete a similar survey. If you are happy for your child to do this, then you do not have to do anything. However, if you do not want your child to complete the questionnaire then please let us know by **30th January 2023**.

If we do not hear from you, we will assume you are happy for your child to be invited. Please be reassured that by deciding against you or your child taking part in the survey will not disadvantage you or your child in any way.

If you are unsure about whether you would like your child to take part and you have some questions about the survey, you are welcome to contact Ms Abigail Huthwaite, Senior Mental Health Lead.

Why has my child been asked to take part and what will they do?

The survey has been specially designed for pupils. It is a survey which should take about 15 minutes to complete. The answers your child gives to the questionnaire will not be seen by their friends or teachers - unless your child chooses an adult to help them complete the questions.

What will happen with the information that your child gives us?

The information from the survey will help our school to improve its work in providing better provision for emotional wellbeing and mental health. All information collected is anonymous and will be kept confidential.

Yours sincerely

Jo Leech
Headteacher

