

Dear Parents and Carers,

This term, our school is participating in the Tell Them From Me[®] (TTFM[®]) student survey. This survey provides valuable feedback on students' perspectives from years 4 and up about school life, their engagement, and the ways teachers interact with them.

The surveys are rigorously validated and developed by The Learning Bar, an organisation specialising in educational research and survey administration. These surveys gather crucial data that help enhance student learning experiences and overall school environment.

Key Points:

- The survey is **confidential**, and school staff will **not** be able to identify individual students from their responses.
- Participating students will receive a unique username and password to ensure confidentiality.
- The survey is online, takes 15 to 20 minutes, and will be conducted during school hours.
- Participation in the survey is voluntary. If your child feels uncomfortable with any question, they can skip it or stop the survey at any time.
- Teachers will remind students that they can talk to their teacher or guidance counsellor if they feel distressed or worried about the survey.
- The survey measures topics such as emotional and social well-being, physical health, and behaviours and attitudes that are predictors of student success.
- It also allows students to provide their thoughts and feedback through open-ended questions.

If you do not want your child/children to participate in the survey, please complete the opt – out form and return it to the school by 15th May

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