

Behaviour Hubs evaluation: information for parents/carers.

What is the research about?

The Behaviour Hubs programme began in Spring 2021 and will run for three years. It is a government-led programme to improve behaviour and behaviour practices in schools. The programme forms partnerships between schools and academies with outstanding behaviour and those that want to improve. The school that your child(ren)/the child(ren) in your care attends is being supported by the Behaviour Hubs programme as a partner school.

A research company called Ecorys (more information on us here: <https://uk.ecorys.com/>) have been asked by to carry out an evaluation of the Behaviour Hubs programme on behalf of DfE. The aim of the evaluation is to understand the effectiveness of the programme in improving behaviour practices in schools and achieving benefits for schools, staff and pupils.

What is the pupil survey?

For this part of the Behaviour Hubs evaluation, we are asking secondary school pupils to take part in a short [pupil survey](#). The survey will be completed online within a classroom setting and supervised by a teacher or member of school staff. The survey will take around 8 minutes to complete.

The survey will ask pupils about their experiences of behaviour within their school; including school policies, the behaviour rules of the school and how they perceive the level of behaviour in their classrooms. The survey also includes a number of questions around pupil enjoyment of school, feelings of support, wellbeing and relationships with their peers and teachers.

A pupil survey has been included within the evaluation as the experiences and perspectives of pupils are an important part of understanding the overall impact of the Behaviour Hubs programme.

The survey will then be repeated after approximately 10 months to get a sense of change over time.

How will the evaluation use this data?

The results of the survey will be returned to the school as an anonymised report with all the pupil responses. The schools can use these results to understand how their students feel about behaviour in school, as well as for their Behaviour Hubs action plans (for example setting goals). The results of the survey will also be used for the evaluation; included within a report which the evaluators will write for the Government. The report will not name any schools, pupils or staff members.

Is it private?

All answers provided by pupils will be **confidential and anonymous**, meaning they will not be identifiable. Pupils will NOT be asked to provide their name. Pupils will only be asked to give their school year, gender and key stage. We will collect and process survey data in line with GDPR and will not identify individuals in any outputs produced. Ecorys adheres to high ethical research standards and the Data Protection Act 2018 (including GDPR) when processing any data collected as part of this project. You can read more about your data rights, if you wish to do so, on the attached **Privacy Notice**. A full privacy notice can be requested from the evaluation team (see contact email address below).



What happens next?

If you would like any further information or have any questions at this stage, please email the project team evaluationbhubs@ecorys.com. If you decide that your child/child in your care can take part, then you will need to sign the consent form (at the end of this form), this should be returned to school.

The Research Team

Ecorys UK

Behaviour Hubs programme
Parent/carer consent form for pupil participation

Please tick the boxes below if you agree with the statements:

1. I confirm that I have read the information sheet for the above study. I have had the opportunity to consider the information, ask questions and have these answered satisfactorily. ☐
2. I understand that the participation of child(ren)/the child(ren) in my care is voluntary and that they are free to withdraw at any time. ☐
3. I agree for my child(ren)/the child(ren) in my care (under 16 years old) to take part in the research. ☐

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Name (parent)	Date	Signature

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Name(s) of child(ren)	Date

Pupil surveys in the evaluation of the Behaviour Hubs programme

Privacy Notice

How we collect and use your personal information

The Department for Education is the data controller for the personal information you may provide and has asked Ecorys UK to collect and process this information on their behalf. The legal basis for processing your personal data is the consent that you have provided to take part in the research activities.

Your responses will remain confidential. Anonymous information will be used for reports, publications, and presentations. The results of the evaluation will be shared through national reports and via social media and potentially other publicity channels. You will not be identifiable in this information.

Your data protection rights and how we protect your personal information

Your rights are set out in the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA) and GDPR, which is designed to protect and support the personal data rights for all in the UK. These include:

- **the right to be informed** about who is collecting and processing your data, we set this out above;
- **the right of access**, to understand what information about you is being used and how; and
- **the right to withdraw consent**, at any time you can ask us to delete your personal information and no longer be included in the interviews.

The data (responses to the pupil survey) will be stored on internal servers managed by Ecorys. This personal information (pupil gender, age, school) as well as responses to other questions detailed in this document. Only a small number of people will have access to this data. Your data will not be shared with anyone else, and it will be securely destroyed after the evaluation has finished.

We will not move or share information about you outside the EU and it will be held securely at all times. If there are any problems with our handling of your data, we will notify you and the organisation that is responsible for regulating this where we are legally required to do so.

There are other rights not listed here and exemptions may apply. For more details see here: <https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/data-protection-reform/overview-of-the-gdpr/individuals-rights/> or contact our Data Protection Officer.

How to contact us

If you have, any concerns or questions about the interview please contact Ecorys at: evaluationbhubs@ecorys.com.



For more information or to exercise your data protection rights please contact our Data Protection Officer at Ecorys UK, Albert House, Quay Place, 92-93 Edward Street, Birmingham, B1 2RA.

Your right to complain

If you are unhappy about how your personal data has been used, please contact us using the details for our Data Protection Officer above. You can also contact the Information Commissioner's Office via their website at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF or at www.ico.org.uk/concerns