Dear Parents and Carers

This term, our school is taking part in the *Tell Them From Me* survey. The survey will provide us with valuable feedback on what parents and/or carers think about school life, how engaged you are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with you. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help them improve. The survey is completed on-line and is run by an independent research company, *The Learning Bar*, which specialises in school-based surveys.

Staff in schools will **not** be able to identify parents and/or carers from their responses. To ensure confidentiality, participating parents and/or carers will receive a unique username and password. ([See below](#))

The survey typically takes less than 30 minutes to complete. Once the surveys are completed, reports are prepared and in most cases are available to schools within three business days.

As well as schools getting feedback, the Department of Education and Communities, through the Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation (CESE), will have access to data from across the State and will run a research project to look at state-wide patterns of student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices. The research will look at how these things impact on student outcomes, including academic performance. Individual schools and parents and/or carers will **not** be identified in any CESE publications, and all information will be handled in accordance with the relevant privacy legislation. Personal information will not be disclosed by the Department to any other person or body other than as required by law.

This research will help schools in New South Wales to better understand how to improve student wellbeing and engagement. It will also help teachers and principals discuss what works to improve student outcomes.

Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary. If, during the survey, you are uncomfortable answering any question, please leave it blank and move on to the next one. You can stop the survey at any time.


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**Tell Them From Me Parent Feedback Survey**

[www.tellthemfromme.com](http://www.tellthemfromme.com)

**User Name:** (please check snail mail)

**Password:** (please check snail mail)