



Oxfordshire Online Pupil Survey 2020 - Home Edition

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Dear Colleague

We are pleased to launch **Oxfordshire's Annual Online Pupil Survey (OPS)** -2020 Home version for pupils in years 4 - 13. This survey was first conducted in May- July 2019, over 4000 pupils in 36 schools took part, and we were able to learn about a range of important mental health and well-being factors. We have made some changes this year to make the survey **relevant to the current COVID-19 challenges**, and so that pupils can be invited to login either at school or at home. We will also make the results available as quickly as possible, to inform schools about the needs and experiences of their pupils during these uncertain times.

During its first year in Oxfordshire in 2019, the OPS provided an important picture of the needs of children and young people. This year (and in years to come) we hope to gather data from the majority of schools, to provide a comprehensive picture of how attitudes and behaviour change over time. This will help local services to ensure that the resources available can be targeted at areas of most need. Schools, the county council, researchers and partners can use the survey data to support the evaluation of the curriculum and services, and to monitor the impact of targeted interventions, such as anti-bullying or anti-crime activity, exercise interventions or online safety guidance.

The questions in the survey address a range of issues relevant to well-being. The Primary, Secondary, and the Year 12/FE surveys differ slightly and are **age appropriate, approved by the University of Oxford Research Ethics Committee**. The survey is designed to be engaging and easy for pupils to use, takes most pupils **about 30 minutes**, and can be comfortably fitted into a (remote or in-school) lesson period. Participating schools/colleges will receive their own **results from July 2020**, which can be compared with the county averages from this year and last year. The Oxfordshire Online Pupil Survey will be **live** for schools to access from **May-June 2020**. If you would like to participate, please send out the university approved information to parents and students one week before inviting pupils to log-in, and give parents of pupils under 16 the opportunity to let you know if they don't want their child to participate.

If you are interested in taking part, please could you complete the online sign-up form (<https://oxonopsmonitor.fabsurveys.co.uk/SchoolsAdmin/SchoolSignUpForm>) or email paule@fabresearch.com providing a contact name, email, telephone number and which school/college you represent. We will then send more detailed information for schools and parents, you will be able to see the survey, and we will be running (virtual) information sessions as needed.

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