

# Parent Survey



## Information for parents and carers

### What is KidsMatter Primary?

KidsMatter Primary is an Australian initiative that aims to improve children's mental health and wellbeing. It recognises the important role that parents and carers play in the lives of their children and encourages effective working relationships between school staff, parents and carers, and the broader community. For further information, including information sheets especially written for parents and carers, visit the KidsMatter website: [www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary](http://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary)

### What is the survey about?

The survey asks your perspective on your child's school and what you think is important for the school to consider in better supporting children's mental health and wellbeing. We expect that it will take approximately 10 minutes to complete the survey.

### Why am I being asked to complete this survey?

KidsMatter Primary encourages schools to reflect on how they are doing things - what they are doing well already and also what they can improve to promote children's mental health and wellbeing. It has been recognised that including the voice of staff, students, parents and carers assists the school with planning.

### What choice do I have?

Completing this anonymous survey is entirely your choice. Whether or not you decide to participate, your decision will not disadvantage you or your child. However, we hope that you will contribute to helping us improve our school community. Please feel free to discuss any concerns you may have about completing this survey with any of the staff.

### How is my privacy protected and what happens to the answers?

The answers provided by parents and carers are completely anonymous and it will not be possible to identify you or your child from your answers. Data is stored electronically by KidsMatter Primary in a password secured database. Only summarised results that align to the four components are used by the school to assist with school planning. KidsMatter Primary may also use data summarised at a state level to inform the national development of KidsMatter.

### What do I need to do to participate?

Please read this information statement and be sure you understand its contents before you consent to participate. If there is anything you do not understand, or if you have questions, please talk to a staff member at your child's school.

If you consent to participate, please complete the survey according to the instructions given by your school, which may either be to fill out the paper-based survey and return it to the school, or complete the online survey at:

[www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary/parentsurvey](http://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary/parentsurvey)

Thank you for your support.