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Dear Parents and Carers,

Ensure your child's voice is heard and make a difference

The Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, is launching a once-in-a-generation review of children's lives.

It's called 'The Childhood Commission' and it will identify the barriers preventing children reaching their full potential and propose policy solutions to address them. At its heart is 'The Big Ask' – the largest ever consultation held with children!

In this survey the Children's Commissioner is asking children and young people what they think is important for their future and what is holding young people back. The Children's Commissioner will use what children and young people tell her to show the Government what they think and what they need to live happier lives.

It's an exciting opportunity to think big and it's a chance for every child in England to have their voice heard. To find out more information and complete 'The Big Ask', please visit: <http://thebigask.uk/>

The results from this survey will help the Children's Commissioner identify the barriers preventing children from reaching their potential, put forward solutions and set ambitious goals for the country to achieve. The Children's Commissioner needs to reach as many children as possible through 'The Big Ask' – the more, the stronger the results will be.

Although this survey is not being conducted by us, as a school, we feel that it is important for children to have the opportunity to participate in the survey. As parents/carers, this is something that you can help them do to ensure their voice is heard. Please do try and encourage your child to participate in 'The Big Ask'. The survey will close on 17th May 2021.

On behalf of the Children's Commissioner, thank you in advance for helping put children and young people at the heart of the country's plans to rebuild for the future.

If you need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best wishes,

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