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Dear Parent/Guardian,

I am currently studying Children's Play and Learning Development at Level 3 at Truro College. As part of my course I need to carry out a research task. I have decided to carry my research out on different types of praise. How children prefer to be praised; do all children need to be praised in the same way; and which type of praise works the best. For me, I have noticed that this is not one of my strong points and I want to know more and expand my knowledge on this subject. From doing this research I am hoping to know why children need to be praised and do the children use it as an excuse for behaviour.

The research that I will carry out will be held in the classroom with the teacher working alongside me and should be completed by 27 April.

My aim is to ask the children in the school what way they prefer to be praised. By doing this I will gain better knowledge and understanding what ways children like to be praised and how they feel when they have been praised. For this I will carry out a series of research methods such as questionnaires and activities. The reason behind doing this research is to benefit me and my course as this will be graded. This could also help practitioners in the future to gain the knowledge on praising children.

During my research, I will be carrying out a lot of information that will need to be collected. I understand that all parents want to protect their sons/daughters, therefore all the information and data will be kept confidential. To ensure the information is protected I will not be using names. I will keep all files locked away at College so that no one has access to them. Any work that I do on the computer will be kept on a memory stick with a security key. If you are interested in any of the work that I am doing or would like to have a look at my outcome, then I will be more than happy to pass this data on to you.

Throughout my research if at any point, you wish to opt out of this, it will be entirely your decision and I will not need any reason for this.

Yours sincerely

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