

Active Lives Children and Young People survey Information for teachers completing the teacher survey

What is Active Lives?

Sport England run the Active Lives Children and Young People survey, which measures participation in and attitudes to sport and physical activity among children and young people in Years 1 to 11. The information that we collect will help us to invest in opportunities for children and young people to take part in and benefit from sport and physical activity.

Your school has been randomly selected and has agreed to participate in this survey. At your school, children from up to three classes or tutor groups will be taking part in an online survey at school. A separate note provides information about this if your class has been selected to take part. We also ask one teacher from each school to take part in an online survey on behalf of the school. Taking part in any aspect of the research is voluntary.

What would we like you to do?

We would like you to take part in an online survey. It will take about 10 to 20 minutes to complete and can be done at school or at home using a computer, laptop or tablet.

You will be provided with a URL (weblink) and login specific to your school which you should use to access the survey. If you are unable to complete the survey in one sitting, you can leave the survey and your answers will be saved until the next time you go to the link and log in.

What will the questionnaire involve?

The questionnaire includes questions on sports facilities and the PE offer in your school. By asking a few questions to a teacher from each school, this reduces the number of questions we need to ask pupils. There are also a few questions about the PE and sport premium funding (for primary teachers), supporting the transition of pupils between primary and secondary school, how pupils travel to school and school food standards.

In most cases a teacher involved in PE will be best placed to complete the survey but this is flexible and it is up to your school to decide who would be the best person to take part. Only one teacher from each school can complete a questionnaire. However, the teacher who completes it may need to consult other teachers in order to answer the questions. There are questions about school food standards and food education which you may like to consult another member of staff about. Provided you have not submitted your answers you can return to the questionnaire if you need to gather extra information before responding.

There is a helpline email to help you deal with any issues you may have with completing the survey. Please email activeliveschild.help@ipsos.com if you have any issues. Please state what your query is and what help you need – you do not need to give your name, your school name or any other information.

How to respond if COVID-19 is impacting on what you offer to pupils

The survey includes questions about the PE, games, extracurricular clubs and swimming lessons offered to pupils as well as facilities which pupils can use. There are also questions about school food provision and active travel. During the academic year 2020-21 and the COVID-19 pandemic the offer in some schools may be different from usual. Sport England

would like to know what is actually available to pupils this year. So please answer the questions for the current situation, rather than what you may have offered in previous years. If your school is temporarily closed to most pupils because of a local lockdown, answer the questions about what is on offer when the school is open this academic year.

Healthy Schools Rating Scheme

The responses given in the teacher questionnaire are used to give the school a Healthy Schools Rating. The Healthy Schools Rating Scheme is a voluntary scheme for schools that recognises and encourages their contribution to supporting pupils' health and wellbeing. The gov.uk website provides further information:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/healthy-schools-rating-scheme>

If the teacher survey is completed and responses are received to all the required questions for the rating to be calculated, then the responses will be assessed for the Healthy Schools Rating Scheme. As long as the rating can be calculated then the accompanying page will be provided as part of the school report.

Your privacy

Ipsos MORI will store your information securely and keep it confidential. You will not be asked for your name. The Active Partnership (AP) and Sport England will know which schools and year groups have taken part. The AP may know which teacher has taken part but they will not see your answers. Sport England will not know which individuals have completed the survey. Your answers will be combined with other people's answers and only anonymous data will be reported.

Only contextual information from your own response (such as the total time spent on PE lessons) will be included in this report. No personal information (such as which year groups you teach) would be included.

The research is being conducted in accordance with the Market Research Society Code of Conduct and the Data Protection Act 2018.

A Privacy Notice detailing who Ipsos MORI are, the personal data collected, how it is used, who it is shared with, and what your legal rights are in relation to this survey is provided.

We are very grateful for your help with this important research. If you would like any further information about this project, please contact your Active Partnership.